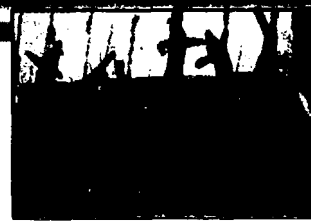




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Buck Pole results....7B

Meet Me in St. Louis finishes run



Photo by Cheryll Ruley

TROUBLEMAKERS – Tootie (Rachel Ramaswamy, seated) and Agnes (Gina Rosi, center) brag about their Halloween antics in a scene from the GHS Players production of *Meet Me in St. Louis*. Mother Anna Smith (Colby Davis, left) and older sister Rose (Heidi Niederer, right) are appalled that the girls would try to derail the trolley. For more play highlights, see Page 1B.

New cell phone fee will raise \$\$\$ for 911

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Crawford County's 911 Central Dispatch now qualifies to receive funds collected from cellular or wireless telephone customers to help pay for the public service.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners passed a resolution at their November 17 regular meeting, adopting a Final 911 Service Plan the amended Emergency

Telephone Enabling Act, 1986 PA 32.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has issued a wireless emergency service order requiring central dispatch centers to request deployment of Phase II 911 enhanced services from commercial mobile radio service suppliers, including cellular phone companies.

The County Board was required to adopt the Plan implementing the

wireless emergency service order and act in order to qualify for distributions from an emergency telephone fund administered by the Department of Treasury.

Mobile phone users in the area can expect to pay a 55-cent per month surcharge for the first two years, once the Plan is in effect, after that the monthly fee will be lowered to 52¢. The surcharge is similar to the one paid by regular phone customers for 911.

The 52¢ surcharge is broken down as follows: one half of 1¢ goes to the phone companies to help pay the cost of billing and collections; 25¢ goes to phone companies

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GRA retains Hanson Hills land lease

The State of Michigan Department of Military Affairs State Military Board has extended the land lease to Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) for the use of land at Hanson Hills Recreation Authority for another 15 years. The lease will be in effect until 2014.

"We are thrilled with the extension of our lease," commented Cindy Olson, GRA Director. "It really shows that the Military Board is happy with what we are doing here at Hanson Hills, and that they are very supportive of our efforts."

The Grayling Recreation Authority manages the land on a non-profit basis. Anyone interested in learning more about or getting involved in GRA may visit their website at www.hansonhills.org or call (517) 348-9266.

Perry appointed to Road Board

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

After more extensive interviews of six finalists applying for a vacant seat on the board of the Road Commission for Crawford County, Major Thomas E. Perry of Beaver Creek Township was appointed by the Crawford County Board of Commissioners.

Five of the interviews took place at the regular meeting of the County Board on November 17. The Commissioners recessed that meeting until November 18 when Perry could be interviewed. Previous obligations kept Perry from the regular meeting.

Questions posed to Perry and the others pertained to: responsibilities of the Road Commission and of commissioners themselves; union contract and negotiation experience; purchasing experience; how they resolved a challenging issue in their lives; important qualities of government officials; opportunities for improvement within the Road Commission; what vision they might have for the Road Commission in ten years; the significance of public trust; how they handle opposition; and, what makes them stand out from the rest of the applicants.

Applicants were given a chance to ask questions of the County Board at the end of their interviews. Many of them asked if their applications and interview results would be considered for possible future vacancies if they were not appointed at this time. Board members responded in the affirmative.

After the interviews, the County

Board discussed their pleasure regarding the amount of qualified applicants and the difficulties faced in making their decision.

District 2 Commissioner Scott Hanson nominated Perry and District 1 Commissioner Harold Golnick supported the nomination. In further discussion, District 6 Commissioner Terry Beardslee discussed providing equal representation of the townships on the Road Board by considering where each applicant lives. Board Vice Chair and District 5 Commissioner Beth Wieland said, "Until the law changes on that issue, we need to choose the most qualified."

The board voted unanimously to appoint Perry to the Road Board

until December, 2002, serving out the remainder of William Gannon's term.

Perry was sworn in on November 19 in the Circuit Courtroom by Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds Sandra Moore. This will be the 44-year old Perry's first time serving on a government body, elected or appointed.

"We need to improve the public image of the Road Commission," Perry said. "From what I have read in the newspaper, there have been a lot of stone's thrown in the past."

Perry said he has known Road Commission Managing Director Don Babcock for some time and has

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Crawford County Clerk Sandra Moore gets new Road Commissioner Major Tom Perry sworn in and ready for duty.

High-speed police chase ends in power outage

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

A high-speed chase in the wee hours of last Friday morning ended in the arrest of a Port Huron man and a two-hour power outage in Frederic.

At about 3:50 a.m., November 19, 31-year old Scott Gilbert made an illegal U-turn near mile marker 253 on I-75, right in front of a state trooper squad car.

Gilbert accelerated his 1990 Pontiac Sunbird as Michigan State Police troopers out of Houghton Lake pursued him at high speed northbound on I-75 until he exited at the I-75 Business Loop in Grayling.

Grayling Police joined the pursuit as Gilbert made his way through town and proceeded up Old US27 north through Frederic, still traveling well above posted speeds.

Once Gilbert crossed the Crawford/Otsego County line, personnel assigned to the Gaylord Michigan State Police (MSP) Post got in on the act.

Gaylord MSP troopers welcomed Gilbert into their jurisdiction with "stop sticks," puncturing his tires to slow down the speeding Pontiac.

At 4:08 a.m., and about one-half mile up Old US27 near Waters,

Gilbert lost control of his vehicle, crossed the center line, and had an 80 mile-per-hour head-on collision with a Consumers Power electric service pole on the west side of the road. The pole snapped, knocking out service to 800 customers in neighboring Frederic and the Otsego Lake area.

Consumers Power spokesman John Hall said power was restored to all customers within two hours of the accident.

Michigan State Police Sgt. Tom Valdez reported the Pontiac to be a total loss, however Gilbert was not seriously injured because he was wearing his seat belt. Gilbert was treated and released from Otsego Memorial Hospital later that morning.

Valdez said Gilbert was transported to Oakland County, where he will undergo a psychological examination to determine what caused the 31-year old to take officers, from three departments, on such a dangerous high speed chase.

Valdez did not indicate if Gilbert was wanted on any outstanding traffic violations or warrants, nor did he indicate if alcohol was a factor.

Gilbert could possibly be charged with fleeing/eluding police.

Road Board considers request for tower

► Proposal would
result in tower being
placed on Road
Commission land

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Cell telephone and radio communication signals may get a boost in the Lovells Township area, if a proposed communication tower is installed on a parcel of property

belonging to the Road Commission for Crawford County, as requested.

The Road Commissioners recently received a preliminary proposal from Cherry Capital Real Estate on behalf of RFB Cellular Inc. of Gaylord for a long term lease of the Road Commission property, to be used for a cellular telephone tower.

Vice-Chairman Robert Nelson suggested the Road Commission try to work a stipulation into the agreement allowing the Road Commission to put a repeater on the tower, which could improve radio

communications for not only the Road Commission, but the Sheriff's Department and 911 emergency services as well, improving county safety.

Lovells is currently "kind of a dead area" for such transmissions, the commissioners said.

"There isn't much service out there," said Road Board Chairman Ray Swiercz.

Nelson moved to approve the temporary request in order "to move it along," and the board voted 2-0 in favor of the motion.



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6th Annual Community Thanksgiving Dinner

The 6th Annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner, hosted by St. John Lutheran Church, will be held Thursday, November 25 at the Grayling Knights of Columbus Hall on Norway Street.

A traditional Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings, including pumpkin pie, will be served from 12 noon to 2 p.m. There is no cost for the meal, making sure that no one goes without their holiday dinner. Last year, more than 400 meals were served. Carry-outs are available.

Shut-ins who would like a meal delivered to them at no cost should call Sally at 348-9418 or the church at 348-5224.

Monetary donations, to help defray the cost of preparing the meal, will be accepted at the door or by mailing a check or money order to: CATC, P.O. Box 44, Grayling, MI 49738.

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Brother feels privileged to give the gift of life

Consider becoming a donor as we give thanks

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

What do you do when your 45-year old sister tells you that she may die without a transplant? At age 39, doctors diagnosed Susan Briney with myofibrosis, a disease that causes bone marrow to become fibrous, shutting down the immune system and leaving her no way to fight infection or even the common cold. Her brother, James Briney, wanted to help, as did her sisters Barb Hagaman and Jeanne Crouch.

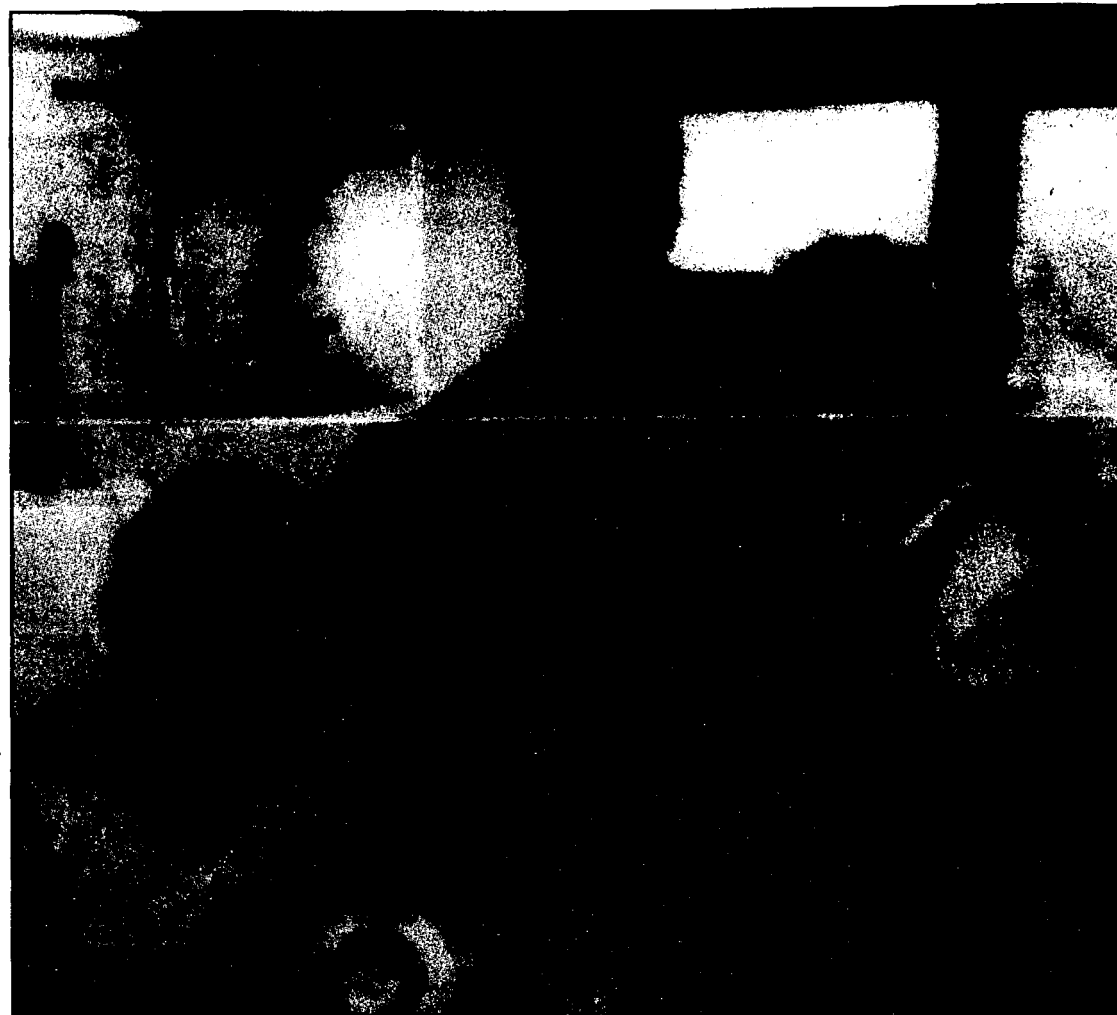
Susan's body fought back in many ways. Her spleen tried desperately to make up for the loss of white blood cells, enlarging to 11 pounds — 23 times its normal size. Doctors removed her spleen in a surgical procedure they considered risky because of Susan's weakened immune system. Then the clock started ticking.

She was told she would need a progenitor or "stem cell" transplant — a procedure that, when using a donor, would change her own DNA to that of the donor. Stem cells are immature cells that grow and divide into mature red blood cells, white blood cells, or platelets. The type of blood cell that a progenitor cell will develop into is determined by the specific needs of the body, and through the stimulus of special substances called "growth factors."

Some myofibrosis and other patients, able to benefit from this type of transplant, can provide their own stem cells if their condition has not yet weakened. Susan would need a donor to help restore her bone marrow function.

The chances of finding a donor is one in 200,000 of the general population, however studies have found that one in four family members are a match.

The donor would have to be willing to undergo months of preparation, both mentally and physically. The donor would be asked to become vigilant about eating well, resting properly, getting sufficient exercise, and refraining from taking



A FAMILY AFFAIR — Susan Briney (left) shares family time with sister Barb Hagaman (left center), brother, James, and sister Jeanne Crouch during her hospitalization for a stem cell transplant in her battle with myofibrosis. The procedure is similar to a bone marrow transplant. The Briney family is hoping to bring awareness to the importance of signing up for donorship.

any unnecessary medication long before the stem cell donation. In turn, Susan would have to begin paying closer attention to her own eating habits and taking the best care of herself as possible, to ensure maximum benefit from the transplant.

Susan's siblings discussed with doctors the viability of one of them becoming her donor. It was discovered that her brother, James, would be a suitable donor and he began to prepare two years in advance of the transplant.

The procedure would take place, as soon as Susan could tolerate, at Fairview University Hospital in Minneapolis, near Susan's home in Mankato, Minnesota.

The hospital is a pioneer in peripheral blood progenitor cell collection, using the procedure in a study of treatment for various types of cancers. Susan would be the 27th myofibrosis patient to receive the innovative treatment developed by teachers and doctors in Ecuador.

Last June, the time finally arrived for James to travel to Minnesota and undergo 10 days of medical preparation and testing. This included an electrocardiogram (EKG), a day-long blood work session and several injections of stem cell growth factor medication over five days.

Growth factor causes the release of a large number of peripheral blood progenitor cells into the donor's bloodstream. When the

doctor has determined that the white blood cell count has increased to a sufficient level — between six to 17 times the normal level — stem cell collection can begin.

While James was being prepared, Susan underwent two days of chemotherapy treatment and four days of full body radiation treatment, virtually destroying her own DNA.

Once James' white blood cell count reached high levels, he was hooked up to a blood cell separator that takes blood from the donor, running it through a centrifuge to separate and collect the blood cells.

There are risks of complications and even the possibility of death with the procedure, however experts report greater than 25,000 collections performed annually worldwide and another one million similar procedures resulting in few problems.

fluctuates between 25 and 75 percent acceptance. She has asked James and his wife Sandy to help with the care of her daughter, Alice.

With help from Grayling Mercy Hospital staff — Jim Flickema, Sister Jean Umlor and Dr. William McNamara — James has been diligent about his own health. The trio has seen him through pre- and post-transplant healthcare for both body and mind. "They have been tremendous," James said.

He has suffered some nasty side effects from the growth factor injections — fatigue, muscle aches, insomnia and nausea — but, complains very little and used therapeutic massage for relief. He is focused on his sister's recovery and will be there again if Susan calls.

"I have learned a lot about giving and patience," Susan said, just a week before Thanksgiving. "I have been listening to the tapes provided

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James, an ordained minister serving the Emma Lowery United Church of Christ in Luzerne, called the procedure "a five hour prayer." He listened to meditative healing tapes prepared by Sister Jean Umlor of Grayling Mercy Hospital. He said it helped him "stay focused on the positive." He said he knew the risk to himself was worth trying to save his sister's life and believes God is in control of all situations. "I am mindful that our Lord pays attention to detail and that the Holy Spirit wastes nothing."

After cell collection was completed, Susan received her transplant. Ideally, the progenitor cells migrate to the bone marrow and begin the process of creating new blood cells. However, the acceptance, or "donor engraftment" of the new cells can cause havoc to the patient's compromised immune system.

Susan has been battling the effects of the disease, the transplant and treatment since June, but remains optimistic in the face of overwhelming odds. "I am a little overwhelmed," she said. "But, I am not giving up."

She underwent sinus surgery on November 15 to address infection her system was unable to fight. James said she will probably remain hospitalized for two weeks or more, and the likelihood of another stem cell harvest from him is increasing.

Susan is being treated with 20 different drugs while the engraftment

by Sister Jean Umlor, and reading and thinking about healing. I am very thankful to have the care and support provided for myself and my family. It is wonderful to know that people in northern Michigan are praying for me."

James agrees that many people have been supportive, especially his wife. "She's an angel," he said. James remarked not too many people were aware of stem cell transplants and would like Susan's story to be used to increase awareness of the need for donors of all kinds — blood, stem cell, bone marrow, vital organs, tissue and eyes.

"In my personal, professional, public and spiritual life," James said, "I like to be involved in situations where I can be useful without being used." Becoming a donor is one such situation, he said. "It was a privilege to be able to go through this for, and with, my sister whom I love and helped raise."

A donor sticker is provided with Michigan drivers licenses and identification cards through the Secretary of State office. Secretary of State Candice Miller is currently campaigning to get more people to fill out the sticker and become a potential donor.

Anyone wishing to become a bone marrow donor or stem cell donor should call 1-800-MARROW-2 (1-800-627-7092) for more information.

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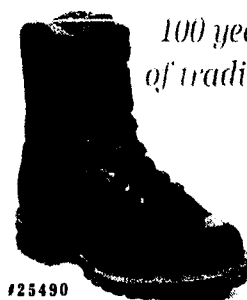
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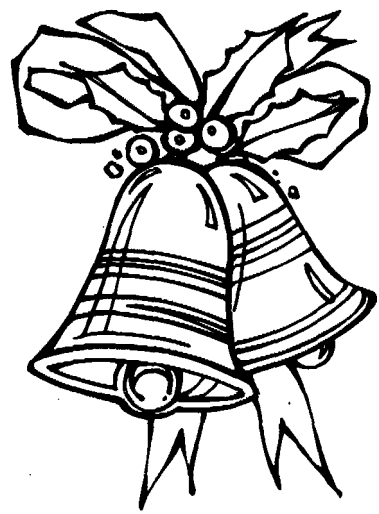
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Annual Christmas show undergoes renovation

Tickets on sale for December 2 performance



Over the years, one of the premier shows offered through the Cultural Events Series has been the popular *Christmas Special*. Each year, this one-performance-only presentation in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium, is a sell-out, and it appears this will be the case as well for the 1999 edition.

The repertoire for this event, featuring both serious and the popular music of the holidays, will undergo some changes for the 7:30 p.m., December 2 show sure to delight area patrons. "There is nothing like a live variety show during the holidays to really enhance the spirit of the season," said Cultural Events coordinator R.J. Hannan.

Each year, this popular family show performs to an audience consisting of people from all over the greater Crawford County area.

This year's production is called "The Many Scenes of Christmas" and will feature a variety of performers, including the return of The Classical Bells, the Detroit area's premier bell-ringing group.

Also performing will be the Oakland Brass, Royal Oak Children's Honor Choir, and the Michigan Singers.

Tickets for this unreserved seating, one-time performance are now on sale to the general public and are available at Crawford AuSable

School Central Office, 403 Michigan Avenue, Grayling. Call the Community Education Office at Grayling High School, 348-7641, ext. 123 or 120, to secure tickets by phone; Visa and MasterCard accepted.

Individual tickets are \$6 per person, with family and special group blocks of tickets available at special prices.

The *Christmas Special* is brought to the community by the Crawford AuSable Community Education Program in partnership with Area Businesses & Corporations and Michigan Council for Arts & Cultural Affairs.

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had positive experience working with him in the past. He said he has discussed with his superiors at Camp Grayling the possibility of any conflict of interest concerning county and military road work, then commented, "There are two other board members who vote on the issues."

Perry has served in the Michigan National Guard for nearly 20 years and currently is the Director of

Facility Engineering at the Camp Grayling National Guard Training Center.

According to Perry's application, he is the principle assistant to the Post Commander for facility management and maintenance. Further, he deals with "an annual budget of \$2.9 million with 43 permanent and seasonal employees. The physical plant includes 460 buildings, a domestic water supply, waste water

treatment plant, electrical power distribution system, and 146,000 acres with 100 miles of roads."

Perry currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Camp Grayling Officers Club and Camp Grayling Chapel. He is also the president of the Messiah Lutheran Church council in Roscommon.

"I have a wide variety of knowledge," Perry states in his application. "I'm not an expert at many things. I

know enough to make an informed decision when provided specific information on a subject."

Perry said he would like to become involved in the community and serving on the Road Commission is a way to be involved by doing something he likes and is trained to do.

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MGT331	Small Business Management	Wed.	6-9:25
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MKT356	Marketing Communications	Wed.	6-9:25
COM212	Introduction to Speech	Thurs.	6-9:25
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MGT400	Leadership	Thurs.	6-9:25
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for equipment upgrade to provide 911 coverage; 10¢ goes to counties who have adopted the 911 Plan; 15¢ goes to each county based on per capita; and, 1.5¢ will be placed into a training program fund to help pay the cost of training 911 dis-

patchers.

For the first two years only, 3¢ of each monthly surcharge will go to the Michigan State Police to fund researching of priority issues concerning 911 services. Emergency Management Director Larry Akers said the research will help identify

areas receiving inadequate 911 coverage and get those communities up to speed.

Akers said he won't know until next summer how much Crawford County 911 Central Dispatch will receive in new revenue, but he estimates \$60,000 to \$80,000 per year.

Fire leaves Frederic home smoke damaged

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Gary and Sandra Hasson were home last Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. when a fire broke out in the furnace room of their bi-level home on Old 27 in Frederic. Frederic Fire Chief Dennis Wallace said they were very

fortunate to be there to put in the 911 call.

Wallace said his department, along with the Grayling Fire Department had the fire under control within 20 minutes and remained on-scene for about two hours.

No one was hurt in the fire, but

the home received a lot of smoke damage. This was the first structure fire serviced by the Frederic Fire Department's new state-of-the-art fire truck.

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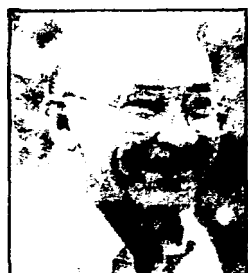
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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

There's plenty for which to be thankful

(Note: The following essay first appeared in *The Almanack* a couple of years ago. If you read it then, we invite you to do so again ... the sentiments are unchanged. If you missed it then, here's a second chance. Happy Thanksgiving!)

WHEN PILGRIMS more than 350 years ago decided to offer special thanks to Almighty God for a plentiful harvest, they probably had no idea how the Thanksgiving holiday they unintentionally inaugurated in this country would develop.

In those days, they had no thought of football games or Christmas shopping or just sitting on the couch, belching, after a huge meal.

They had in mind a simpler routine. They were getting along all right in a strange and harsh land, and -- religious folk that they were -- they knew there was a higher influence in their progress.

Recognizing this, they bowed their heads and said, in essence, "Thank you, God, for all you've done for us."

They knew about God, and revered God, because that was the reason most of them came across the ocean in the first place.

And, while they were at it, giving thanks on that cold November day, why not celebrate a bit? Why not invite over a few of the friends and neighbors to share their good fortunes and have a big dinner?

And so they did. Foreign settlers and Native Americans sat down together, in peace and friendship, and shared their gifts of harvest.

Really, it's an amazing and refreshing story.

BUT THAT was then, and this is now. Why should we, today, here in America, be thankful?

Sure, we have plenty to eat. The supermarket is always full of food, and most of us can have anything we want to eat and drink. It's been that way for a long time.

Most of us, by most standards, are pretty

well off. Most of us are happy, more or less, and we're at peace in the world, relatively speaking, so why get all soft and mushy about thanking God for what's happening to us?

And besides, these days who -- or what -- is God anyway? We can't talk about God in some classrooms. In some places, we can't even admit God exists. And is there really God after all? Isn't God just one of several theories?

So why don't we forget all that gooey stuff, and settle down to a big dinner, and eat too much, then plop in front of the tube and watch a football game, and everybody go shopping tomorrow.

IF WE REALLY get serious about it, each of us has something special to appreciate.

How about progress itself?

A few years ago, at a Thanksgiving mass at St. Ignatius Church in Rogers City, Fr. John Rushman offered a little different twist

than one might expect in a sermon at a Catholic mass.

Fr. Rushman reminded us that our forefathers did without sugar until the 13th century ... without coal fires until the 14th century ... without buttered bread until the 16th.

They did without tea or soap until the 17th century ... without gas, matches or electricity until the 19th ... without cars, canned or frozen foods until the 20th.

Now, asked Fr. Rushman rhetorically, what was it you were complaining about?

Each of us can add our own favorite luxuries to this list -- indoor plumbing, television, saran wrap, microwave ovens, and on and on.

The point: Even if we don't feel thankful for intangible blessings such as love and health and family, there are plenty of material gifts which none of us earned, but which all of us can enjoy, and for which all of us can be thankful.

FOR MYSELF, as Fr. Rushman suggest-

ed in that homily a few years back, I appreciate and am thankful for all those things we take for granted but don't deserve by our own merit, such as soap, and electricity, and frozen foods.

And I am even more thankful for other things which I did not earn on my own either, but which I treasure and strive to deserve ... such as life itself, and health, and love, and ability, and opportunity, and family, and children and grandchildren.

I know, too, from where these blessings come, and where my thanks should be directed, especially on Thanksgiving Day, but also on every other day as well.

But if I said so right out loud these days in public places such as some classrooms, I might be hauled into court.

For that ironic twist on the meaning of our first Thanksgiving Day, I am not thankful at all.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

Microsoft 1, government 0

To the editor,

Many years ago, a company called Microsoft, who was in every respect a vendor of IBM's, was asked to jointly develop an operating system that would have a Graphical User Interface (to replace the old operating system DOS) to be called WARP, or OS2.

While doing so, Microsoft had a different opinion as to what the market needed, and, largely because IBM did not share that opinion, started developing their own operating system later to be called Windows.

Microsoft, as has been noted even in books by Louis Gerstener, the later IBM Chief, pleaded with IBM to accept these changes and allow them to be included in WARP. IBM, as history has shown, disagreed vehemently, and made it clear to Microsoft that they alone had the vision of the future, and they alone would determine what the public "needed."

At this point, Microsoft, who's entire annual sales were less than IBM's quarterly profits, decided to go it alone and let the market decide.

Microsoft, a company who's annual profits at that time, were less than what IBM spent on airfare ... for just their sales staff, could easily have been crushed by IBM's marketplace muscle.

And yet, the marketplace agreed, as they often do, that a product that

was superior, cheaper in every way to the competitors, and more functional in allowances to the functionality of their computers, enabling them, the consumer, to do more, with less, would win the day.

Since then, computers have gotten cheaper, as has software. Programs that required a learning curve commensurate with a four-year degree are now learned in increments of 15 and 30 minutes. Their abilities and usefulness have increased hundreds if not thousands of fold, and because of all this, the United States is the productivity and financial envy of the world, and nations around the globe stand at our shores daily asking one simple question: "How'd they do that?"

Imagine: The government says that Microsoft has the monopoly power to be able to hold the consumer to the flame over pricing, yet word processing software that previously fit onto two floppy disks that used to sell for \$600, now sells for \$350, fits onto the equivalent of 85 similar disks (indeed, a CD), and includes Database, Presentation, Spreadsheet, Graphical and Publishing, Email, Organizational, Contact and other software.

This must be new math the government is using. I always thought that getting nine times the products, with 200 times the capability for half the price was a good thing.

Shows you what I, a dumb consumer, knows.

Lastly, the government tells me in their documents that Microsoft's "predatory" pricing have caused other companies to lose market share, and further, that if not for this, other firms would make more money, increasing their market share, giving the consumer more choice, and presumably, better products.

So, explain this to me then: If Microsoft charges \$350 for it's Office Suite and makes 40%+ profit on same (and people are clamoring for it), and Lotus charges \$165 for theirs (and consumers avoid it in droves) and makes less than 4%, wouldn't forcing Microsoft to lower the price for their product, thereby forcing Lotus to respond in kind by lowering their price, effectively wipe out Lotus's (and Oracle, Novell, etc.) margin to the point that they'd be paying the consumer \$80 for every office suite sold, and put Microsoft eventually in a position of 100% dominance instead of the 80%+ market share they now enjoy?

Thank God the government has seen fit to protect me from this evil onslaught of the Goliath in Redmond that has only done what we'd all been asking for since the beginning of the computer revolution: "Would you mind making it easier for us to use, please?"

Soon, thanks to our Justice Department, this horrible nightmare of great products, lower pricing and superior functionality will soon be behind us.

I was getting worried there for a while.

Kimberly Shilling
Grayling

Pastor 'B' responds to gay issue

To the editor,

Our thanks to Terry Dickinson for reading and responding to our column in the *Avalanche*. We respect the religious freedom and 1st Amendment right of Mr. Dickinson to clearly and openly express his views.

Mr. Dickinson does not believe the God of the Bible has kept His promises to preserve His Holy Word. He believes the Bible is "filled with errors and contradictions." He believes Bible-believing churches are perpetuating "thousands-of-years-old-prejudice." He believes families are "stuck in the church's morality attitude." He believes the hope of homosexuals is in "self-acceptance" rather than repentance and salvation through faith in Jesus Christ. He apparently believes God created homosexuality in people as a diverse yet normal human condition.

It appears then that Mr.

Dickinson blames most of the homosexual problems in our culture upon the prejudice and narrow views of those of us who follow God and the Bible.

What is Mr. Dickinson's hope for homosexuals? He praised Levi Strauss for sponsoring young people to understand homosexuality at an adult Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network conference. He said, "I applaud their courage and compassion."

Mr. Dickinson has done all of us a favor by publicly reminding us of why our personal faith and testimony as Bible-believing Christians is important. Are we teaching our children and grandchildren to believe and obey God and the Bible? Or, are we leaving their young minds open to the efforts of rich corporations like Levi Strauss and lobbies like the Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network? Remember, what they are won with, is what they are won

to!

Have you taught your children God's Word in Jude 1:7? "Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire." Have you taught your children God's Word in 2 Peter 2:6? "And turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, making them an example unto those that after should live ungodly."

Are you trusting the future of your children to God or man? (Joshua 24:15) "And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve ... but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

Pastor "B"
Robert J. Barnett
Grayling

The Bible is old, but 'accurate'

To the editor,

Last week on this page, the Bible was unfairly criticized by a letter writer who was, otherwise, very eloquent. He seemed to represent the politically correct crowd that all too often misinterprets the parable wherein Jesus is quoted, "He who is without sin, may throw the first stone."

(You may recall, James, Carville, Larry Flint (sic) and numerous other liberals including Rep. Bart Stupak used this quote to defuse and disrail (sic) Special

Prosecutor Starr's investigation, and the subsequent show trial, without witnesses or evidence of this most lawyerly President.)

By leaving out the rest of the quote, "Go forth and sin no more." We miss the very heart of the message ... that he should "go forth." A truly great leader would have recognized this and left.

This week a *Washington Post* survey indicted that the President is perceived as the second most evil person of this century by fellow Americans. While the Greeks are demonstrating against him in behalf of the many dead people in nations too numerous to mention here. All this and he still has another year to lead us into the next century. Heaven help us!

A lesson the parable provides is that we should condemn the sin and love the sinner. Surely the words, "Go forth and sin no more" did not mean that we should have a prosti-

tute for a leader and, certainly, the listeners in the crowd knew that they themselves should carry on without sinning. Their lesson surely did not bring them to retreat to the brothel, nor did it bring them to enable others to debauchery, depending on what the meaning of "is, is?"

Also, archaeologists, chemists and other researchers are today proving the Bible quite accurate in their research and diggings at the site of Sodom and Gomorrah along the River Jordan. Genesis 18:19 tells us, and modern day geologists verify, that the wicked and their enablers, did not have a happy ending.

In the meantime, let's not trash the Bible, nor our Constitution for being too old. Let's export them, rather than Monica bombs.

Joseph Callewaert
Grayling Township

Unsafe road made right

To the editor, and to the South Branch Township Supervisor and the Crawford County Road Commission:

Once again, we owe you for a job well done.

We had a very unsafe condition

on a hill on Willows Road.

After making one request, this matter was worked on, we now have a safe two-lane road going up and over the hill.

Allen McCray
Roscommon

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AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community Briefs items submitted to *The Avalanche* must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined

paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

BRIEFS

Michelson hosts all-you-can-eat lunch

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will host an all-you-can-eat luncheon Thursday December 2, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., for \$4.50 per person. On the menu will be soup, sandwich, salad and dessert. Take-outs will be available and all are welcome.

Ministerial hosts Thanksgiving service

The Crawford County AuSable Ministerial Association invites the public to its annual Thanksgiving service Wednesday, November 24 at 7 p.m. This year's service will be hosted by St. Mary's Catholic Church. The Thanksgiving Service is non-denominational and open to everyone. For more information, call Grayling Mercy Hospital Chaplain Karen Henderlong at 348-5461.

GHS Senate holds food/clothing drive

The Grayling High School Student Senate, along with the Grayling Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC) restaurant, will be holding a canned food and clothing drive from now until the end of November. Those who donate will receive a 20% discount coupon from KFC. Items can be dropped off at the restaurant, located on the South 1-75 Business Loop, during regular business hours.

Hospice to decorate memorial tree

A Memorial Christmas Tree will be decorated at an Open House on Friday, December 3, from 12 noon to 2 p.m. at Impact Office Supply, 709 Lake Street in Roscommon. Family members and friends of those who have died while in hospice care during the past two years will be on hand to place an ornament on the tree in memory of their loved ones. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 1-800-449-5560 or (517) 275-8967.

Eastern Star plan bazaar/cookie walk

Grayling Chapter #83 Order of Eastern Star will hold their annual luncheon, bazaar, and cookie walk at the Grayling Masonic Temple (next to the Rialto Theatre) on Friday, December 3, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Lunch will consist of homemade soups, a variety of salads, and desserts and will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is the 12th year for the cookie walk. For more information, call Tammy Fitzpatrick, Worthy Matron at 344-1126.

Marriage Encounter Weekend planned

Worldwide Marriage Encounter helps couples learn to make "time together" a priority in their lives and offers Marriage Encounter Weekends throughout the year. The next Weekend is scheduled for December 3-5 in Petoskey. For information and registration, call Chris and Steve Seager at (517) 348-8096.

Church to present Christmas musical

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, located at 400 Michigan Avenue in Grayling, will present the musical, *The Christmas Schooner* in the church sanctuary, December 3, 4 and 5, at 7:30 p.m. each evening. The musical is critically acclaimed and a unique production in that it is based on a true story and the setting is Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Tickets may be purchased at the church office or from any member of the cast. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$2.50 for students, with no family paying more than \$15.

Fennech to speak to Kiwanis Club

Mark Fennech of Classic Containers will be the guest speaker at the Monday, November 29 regular meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Grayling. The club meets at noon at Shoppenagon's Inn and guests are welcome.

Future flight is the focus of year 2000 art contest

■ Universe is the limit for youths interested in poster art competition

While many are focusing attention on Y2K readiness, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is encouraging young artists to imagine what flight will be like beyond the new millennium by entering the Year 2000 International Aviation Art Contest.

"Most of us have grown accustomed to associating intergalactic space travel with the 21st century," said State Transportation Director James DeSana.

"This year's contest theme, *Flight Into the Future*, inspires youths to explore the exciting possibilities of sporting and recreational aviation as well. The universe is the limit for imagining how aviation and aerospace can impact our future."

Open to young people aged six through 17, the annual contest is designed to foster a life-long inter-

est in aviation and aerospace by encouraging students to combine their imagination with artistic talent. Entries may be submitted using watercolors, acrylic or oil paints, markers, pencils, pens, crayons, and even computers.

The contest is sponsored at the state level by MDOT. Other sponsors include the National Aeronautic Association, the National Association of State Aviation Officials, the Federal Aviation Administration, and the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale.

Entries will be judged in three separate age categories, with first, second and third place winners selected in each. First place winners in each category will advance to the national competition in Washington, D.C.

National winners will compete with entries from other nations late next spring. Computer art will be judged at the state and national levels only.

The MDOT Bureau of Aeronautics is accepting entries

Correction

In an article titled, "No one harmed in shooting incident," published in the November 18 issue of the *Crawford County Avalanche*, information regarding Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy Randy Baerlocher was incorrect. Initial reports of the shooting indicated Baerlocher was narrowly missed by a gunshot. In actuality, Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy Paul Smith was the victim. We apologize for the error and any confusion it may have caused.

Correction

In an article titled, "Ten apply for Gannon's seat on Road Board," published on Page 1A of the November 18 issue of the *Crawford County Avalanche*, Road Commission applicant Gerald Burns was identified as a City of Grayling resident. Mr. Burns is a Grayling Township resident. We regret the error and any confusion it may have caused.

Surviving the Holidays grief workshop offered

A free workshop entitled "Surviving the Holidays" will be offered December 3 by Mercy Amicare Homecare & Hospice.

Holidays are typically a difficult time for people who have experienced a loss. The workshop teaches ways to cope with grief this holiday season.

The program will describe the various stages of grief, recognizing the signs of having difficulty coping with grief and resources available to assist individuals who are experiencing emotional difficulties

this season.

The workshop will be held at Grayling Mercy Hospital in the Private Dining Room, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. Attendees may bring a brown bag lunch.

Presenters will be Karen Henderlong, Grayling Mercy Hospital Chaplain, and Mary Beth Detling, Bereavement Coordinator for Mercy Amicare Homecare & Hospice.

For more information, contact Sherry Haag at (517) 348-4383.

KCC offers online courses

In addition to its regular classes, Kirtland Community College will again offer both Telecourses and Online Courses for the winter semester, which begins January 21.

Telecourses are a convenient, flexible way to pursue a college education. Students are required to view all video lessons, complete all assignments and exams as directed by the Instructor and attend scheduled on-campus classes.

Students interested in any of the following telecourses should call the college at (517) 275-5000 and contact the Instructor directly at his or her extension number, for orientation session dates and times, registration and additional information:

Accounting Principles I; Accounting Principles II (Instructor for both courses - Ed Balis, ext. 293); Cultural Anthropology (Marty Rosenson, ext. 390); Principles of Economics - MICRO (Larry Murray, ext. 278); Introduction to American

Government (Sinan Toprak, ext. 265); and Introduction to Psychology (Jim Backlund, ext. 336).

Online courses: If you have a connection to the Internet and an e-mail address; if you are familiar with computers; if your computer has Pentium or PowerMac with 28.8 Kbps or faster modem and 64 MB or more of RAM, then the chances are good you are equipped for one or more of these courses. Students must register "online" to enroll in these courses.

For information on the courses and on registering, go to: <http://www.kirtland.cc.mi.us/online/>

Lisa Balbach is the instructor for the first four courses. Microsoft Office; Internet; Web Pages; and Advanced Web Pages; English Composition I (Instructor - Jon Thompson); English Composition II (Instructor Fred Giacobazzi); and Introduction to Psychology (Instructor - Jim Backlund).

Photo contest deadline near

The Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District (CRCD) is holding their 1999 Amateur Photo Contest. The deadline is December 1, 1999.

Entry categories are: Floral, Forestry, Landscaping, Recreation, Wildlife, and Youth.

Photos will be on display and judged during the 2000 Annual Open House on February 2. Awards, the choice of the winner are conservation items available from the District. Up to 18 awards will be presented.

Prizes are: (Gift certificates) 1st Place - \$30 value; 2nd Place \$20 value; 3rd Place \$10 value; and

Honorable Mention - \$5 value.

For an entry form, stop by the District Office at 606 Lake Street in Roscommon; request a form by mail by writing: CRCD, P.O. Box 156, Roscommon, MI 48653; or call (517) 275-5231.



FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

HAGLUND'S DEFORMITY

Haglund's Deformity begins as a light red, hardened, tender spot high on the back of the heel. The condition is caused by an inflammation of the fluid-filled sac (bursa) that sits between the heel skin and the Achilles tendon, which attaches the calf muscle to the heel bone. When the inflamed bursa gets bigger, a red lump appears under the skin of the heel and causes pain at and above the heel. The swelling may harden if the deformity becomes chronic. Most often, women who wear high-heeled shoes develop Haglund's Deformity. In mild cases, applying ice helps reduce inflammation, while wearing foam rubber or felt heel pads may relieve pressure on the heel. More serious cases often require anti-inflammatory drugs.

Bearing all of the body's weight with

every step, the heel is subject to considerable stress. Weight gain, high impact athletic activities, even prolonged walking or standing increase such stress. When heel pain is the body's answer to this stress, there are both temporary and permanent treatments to eliminate the problems. Any treatment, however, begins with a call to your local podiatrist. Located at 1209 E. 8th Street, Traverse City, GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C. welcomes new patients for complete family foot care. Call 922-9100 and (800) 968-7440. Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Monday and Wednesday afternoons and evenings.

P.S. Surgical removal of part of the heel bone is sometimes recommended to treat chronic cases of Haglund's Deformity.



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The Bible Speaks

Thanksgiving to God

Ingratitude toward God and His revelation is the first sign of a nation drifting into sinful paganism and cultural degeneration. (Romans 1:21-25) "Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. {22} Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, {23} And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. {24} Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: {25} Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen."

We owe everything of real value to God! He is our creator, redeemer, sustainer, coming King, and future hope. Every good we possess came not from government, but from God. (James 1:17) "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of lights, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning." God's greatest gift was eternal salvation through His Son, Jesus

Christ. (John 3:16) "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (2 Corinthians 9:15) "Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift." (Romans 6:23) "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

May we take every opportunity this Thanksgiving season to give thanks unto our God. (Psalms 106:1) "Praise ye the LORD: O give thanks unto the LORD: for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever." (Psalms 92:1) "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the LORD, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High." (Psalms 95:2) "Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms." (Psalms 100:4) "Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name." (Psalms 105:1-8) "O Give thanks unto the LORD: call upon his name: make known his deeds among the people. {2} Sing unto him, sing psalms unto him: talk ye of all his wondrous works. {3} Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD. {4} Seek the LORD, and his strength: seek his face evermore. {5} Remember his

marvellous works that he hath done: his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth: {6} O ye seed of Abraham his servant, ye children of Jacob his chosen. {7} He is the LORD our God: his judgments are in all the earth. {8} He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word which he commanded to a thousand generations."

May we pause this Thanksgiving Season with our families and friends to worship God for His greatness and His manifold gifts to us through Jesus Christ our Lord. He alone is worthy of our gratitude for the abundance of blessings we possess in these United States of America. No nation on earth has been more blessed. May we express our love to Him who first loved us.

"Pastor "B"

Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at <http://free-way.net/~cba/> and at <http://www.geocities.com/Hearthland/Ranch/1263/>

We at Calvary Baptist Church invite you to learn Bible prophecy for Y2K and beyond. Join us in a verse study of the book of Revelations each Sunday morning at 10:30 am

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Holiday meal doesn't have to put on pounds

Thanksgiving is a time for family visits, good food, and -- if you're not careful -- weight gain. Marilyn Nakamoto, dietitian and director of the U-M Health Service Nutrition Center, says that the average person gains five pounds during the holiday season, starting with the Thanksgiving feast.

"Many of the foods we eat at Thanksgiving have a high fat content," said Nakamoto. "The skin of the turkey, the stuffing, the candied sweet potatoes, all of these are very high in fat."

So, how can we avoid Turkey Day weight gain? "By making wise food choices," said Nakamoto. Cooking the stuffing outside of the turkey reduces its fat content, as does baking sweet potatoes, instead of loading them with butter, sugar and marshmallows in a casserole.

Pumpkin, an excellent source of beta carotene and vitamin A, is much healthier served as a custard, instead of a pie in a fat-laden crust.

However, "we have to be realistic," said Nakamoto. "For one holiday meal, people should be allowed to eat their favorite foods." So, if you can't do without Aunt Martha's candied yams, indulge yourself -- but wisely. "Eat small amounts of

your favorites, and don't eat until you're stuffed, only until you're satisfied," advised Nakamoto.

Also, keep up your exercise program. "Many people stop going to the gym when they get busy around the holidays, but that's just when they should be going," said Nakamoto. "Exercise keeps weight down, suppresses the appetite and relieves holiday stress."

Thanksgiving tradition thousands of years old

What Americans call the First Thanksgiving was not the first one at all, according to Eric Rabkin, professor of English at the University of Michigan. In fact, the Pilgrims drew on customs that are several centuries old.

"The Pilgrims knew about religious festivals of thanksgiving, probably including the ancient Greek celebration of the bounty of Demeter and certainly including the Jewish Sukkoth," said Rabkin.

Demeter, the Greek goddess of grain, fertility and the harvest, is also responsible for the changing of the seasons, according to Greek mythology.

Sukkoth is an annual Jewish celebration, and a combination harvest, thanksgiving, and pilgrimage festival. "I can't help but think the Mayflower group, especially after decimation by illness and harsh winter, had these festivals in mind come the next harvest," said Rabkin.

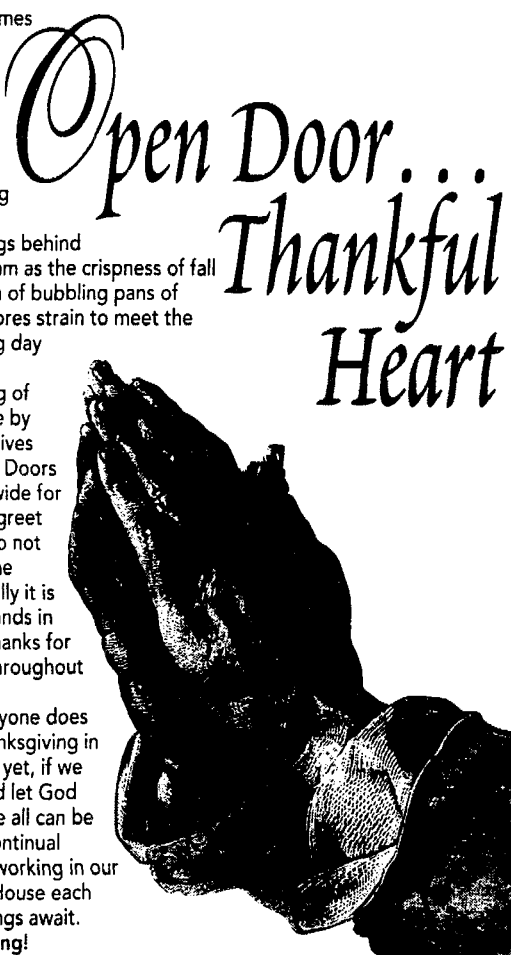
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Church Directory

As the air becomes cold and the branches bare, it is apparent that the season of Thanksgiving is near. We cook turkey and stuffing and all sorts of wonderful offerings behind windows that steam as the crispness of fall meets the warmth of bubbling pans of gravy. Grocery stores strain to meet the demand as the big day nears.

It is the morning of Thanksgiving. One by one, the family arrives from near and far. Doors and hearts open wide for each guest as we greet those whom we do not see often and some whom we do. Finally it is time to join our hands in prayer and give thanks for God's blessings throughout the year.

Of course, everyone does not celebrate Thanksgiving in this same fashion, yet, if we open the door and let God into our hearts, we all can be thankful for the continual blessings of God working in our lives. Visit God's House each week. New blessings await. Happy Thanksgiving!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Psalm 8	Exodus 15:1-21	1 Samuel 2:1-10	Wednesday Nehemiah 12:27-43	Psalm 65	Psalm 66	Psalm 67

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Pastor Jeffrey Jaggers
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Sunday School - Sept. - May : 9:45 to 10:45
Sunday Radio Ministry : 8 am, 101.1 WQON
Bible Study (Wed.)..... 10 am

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor Jeff Arthur
Phone 348-4033

Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable off M-72 East (1st building on right inside camp entrance).

Church Service..... 9:30 am
Sabbath School..... 10:30 am
Prayer Meeting..... 7 pm

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor Patricia Petrie, 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling

Sunday School..... 10 am
Sunday Service & Children's Church: 11 am
Sunday Evening Service..... 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting..... 7 pm
Wednesday Bible Study..... 7 pm
Thursday Discipleship Class..... 7 pm
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Grayling Assembly of God
Rev. Ron Voelker, Pastor
701 S. I-75 Business Loop

Church 348-8885 • Parsonage 348-2588
Sunday School..... 9:30 am
Morning Worship..... 10:30 am
Evening Service..... 6 pm
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Adult-Youth-Children..... 7 pm

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
President Larry A. Cook
600 North Elm Street, Gaylord

Sacrament..... 10 am
Sunday School..... 11 am
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Priesthood..... 12 noon
Relief Society..... 12 noon

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Wednesday & Fridays..... 8:30 am

First Baptist Church of Frederic
Pastor Dale Hammond

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Morning Worship..... 11 am
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Wed. Prayer & Bible Study..... 7 pm
Blessing Radio (times)..... <http://blessing-radio.com>

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Dr. Robert Barnett, Pastor
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Morning Worship..... 10:30 am
Evening Worship..... 6 pm
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Wednesday..... 7 pm
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Michigan based company uses new construction method

► **Insulated panel company offers an alternative to the 'stick-built' structure**

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

A new way to build homes and other structures, in place of the traditional "stick-building" method, is starting to grow in popularity.

"It's like working with legos," said Mike Dreasky of Advanced Structural Insulated Panel (ASIP).

ASIP, which has offices in Grayling and Flint, manufactures the "legos." Actually, the building blocks are panels that are put up and interlock with each other at the base and the side seams using a special adhesive and screws.

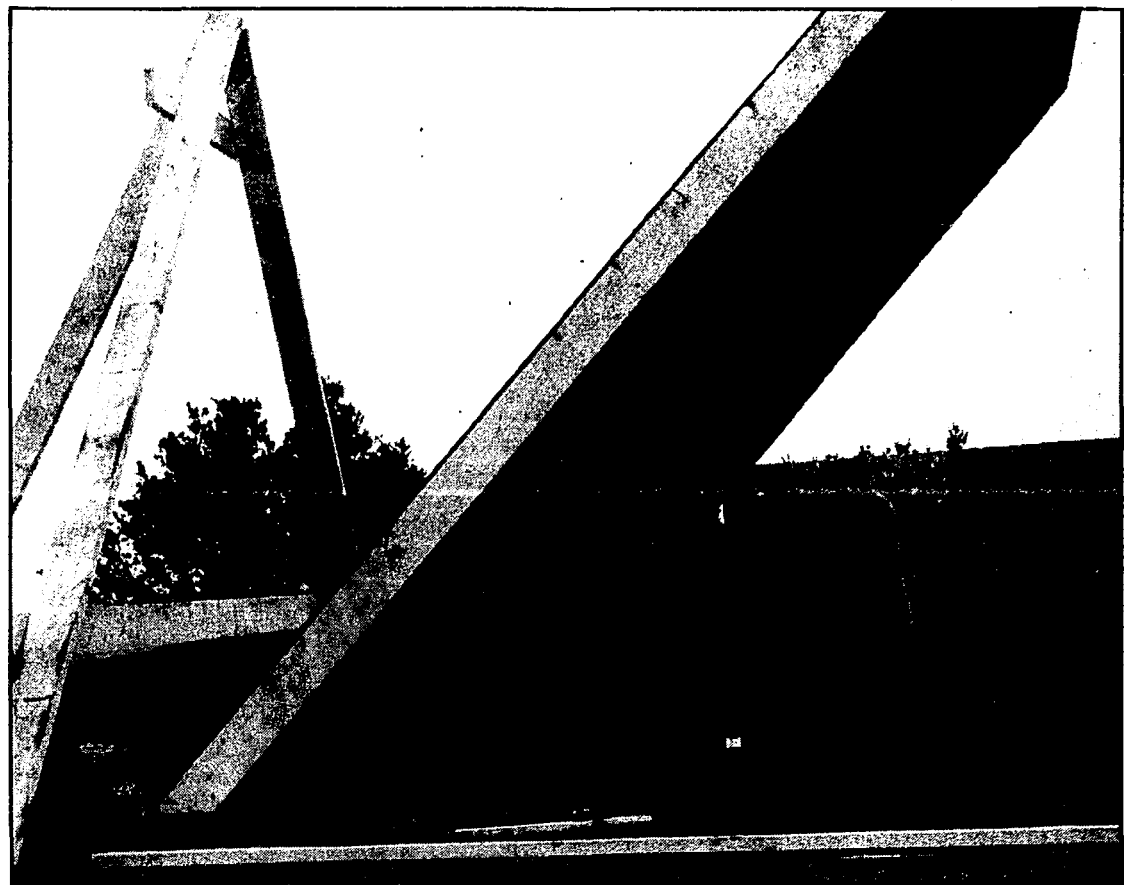
The panels are like an insulation sandwich. The two outside surfaces are structure board, and styrofoam insulation fills the space in between the sheets of OSB. Two-inch studs on the edges help provide strength and stability.

Building with the panels is faster, uses less material, and is friendlier on an environmental level, said Dreasky.

"There's no waste," he said. "It uses a whole lot less wood, and is more environmentally friendly."

"This construction style is very popular on Mackinaw Island and Beaver Island," said Dreasky, because of the finished building's roof strength (for supporting heavy snow burdens) and because the buildings can be put up faster.

Another big advantage of using



Workers from the Advanced Structural Insulated Panel crew put up a wall on a new building in Roscommon, using the company's pre-built insulated panels.

the panels is the effectiveness of the insulation, which saves on heating costs, Dreasky said.

"Tax funded buildings have been a good market for me, because it costs so much less to heat," he said. "You can figure a good 75 percent savings on your heating bills. They save a lot of tax money, so it's been an easy sell."

Dreasky said that using the panels in construction doesn't raise the overall cost of building, either. "Your material costs go up a little, about 10 percent, but labor goes way down, as much as 60 percent," he said.

Labor costs are less because the construction takes less time. "We will still work all year, we just do more projects," Dreasky explained.

Dreasky and his crew from ASIP installed a building in Roscommon earlier this month for Northern Expediting Trucking Company on Southline Road.

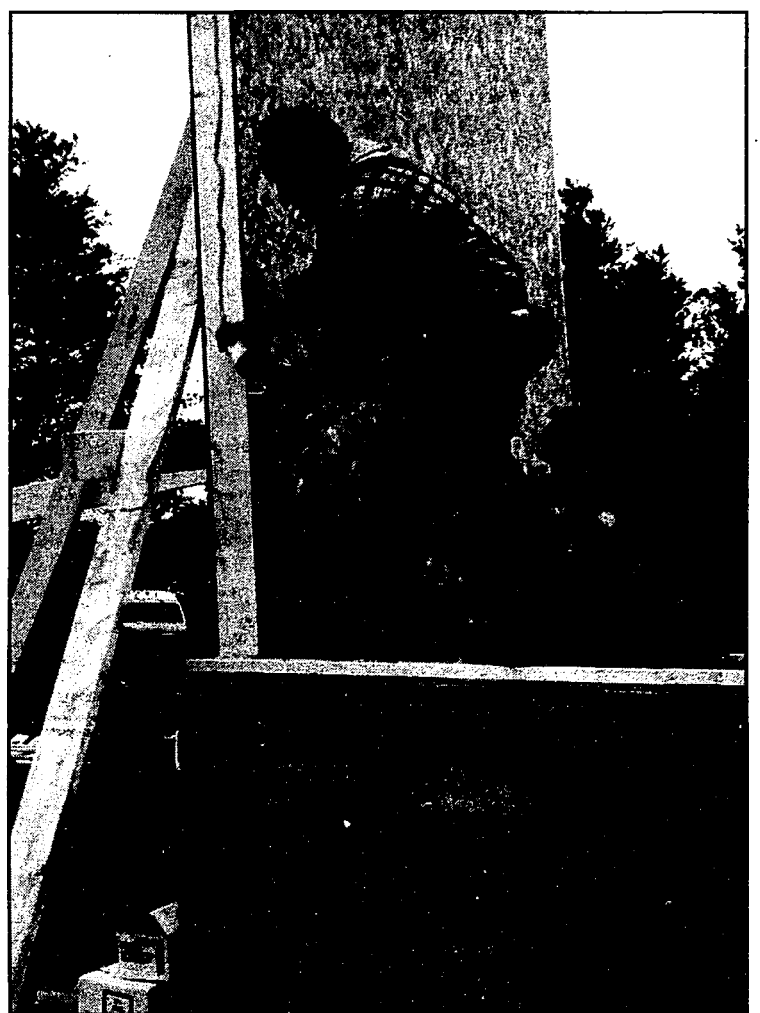
The building will serve as a showcase for the area, Dreasky said. "This is the first one we've done in this area."

ASIP crews are available for the construction projects, or contractors can purchase all the necessary material, including the panels, from ASIP.

"Sub-contractors absolutely love this," he said. "They don't have to worry about studs. And it's easy for electricians. It's good for a do-it-yourselfer too, say if you were putting up a new garage or something."

"It's fun to build with. It's a riot," he added.

Cutting the panels, for doors, windows, etc., can be done with a regular circular saw equipped with a special "prazi" blade. The adhesive used to help hold the panels in place



is applied with a caulk gun.

Panels are available in thicknesses ranging from four inches to 12 inches.

"We sell everything needed for them to put it up," said Dreasky. "We can spend half a day with a crew to show them how everything goes, and they'll be all set."

Dreasky also noted that building with the insulated panels "far exceeds any building codes around here."

With the first piece of the corner in place, crew members apply a special adhesive to the wall's 2X6 edge before the adjoining piece is put up and attached. Large screws are then put through the second piece into the 2X6 to solidly anchor the corner panels together. Photos by Caleb Casey



ASIP workers slide the second corner panel into place, butting it up against the first piece.

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Campaign management course offered at NMC

Oakland University (OU), along with Michigan Democratic and Republican Parties, announce the creation of a campaign management course designed to train individuals who will be hired to serve as campaign managers in state house races for the year 2000 campaign.

Professor Vincent Khapoya, chairman of the Political Science Department at Oakland, said, "I am pleased that we have secured the cooperation of the two major party organizations in the state in offering this campaign management course." The two major parties have agreed to help place qualified students who complete the course in a state house race during next year's campaign, and both parties have indicated that these will be paid positions.

Mark Brewer, Chair of the Michigan Democratic Party, added, "This innovative program will provide the Michigan Democratic Party and our candidates with talented and qualified people to staff our campaigns."

Betsy DeVos, Chair of the MI Republican State Committee, also is enthusiastic about this course. DeVos said, "This is a very exciting program. We are always encouraged when young people have an opportunity to become involved in the political process."

The course, titled *Political Campaigns*, will be offered on Monday evenings from 6:30 p.m. - 9:50 p.m. in the Winter 2000 semester, which begins January 10, 2000. Professor John S. Klemanski will serve as instructor.

The course will be offered as a distance learning course, transmitted to the Northwestern Michigan College (NMC) University Center in Traverse City, and other sites

around the state are being considered.

Professor Klemanski indicated that, "Non-credit students will also be able to enroll in this course, without needing to enroll in a full degree college program. If successful, the Oakland University campus can become known as a center for state campaign management training."

An OU faculty member since 1985, Professor Klemanski has taught the course as a credit-only offering since 1996 and has served as a campaign manager in a previous state house race. A number of guests will speak to the class, including professional campaign consultants, political party leaders, public opinion pollsters, media consultants, and journalists.

Under the present plan, students will complete the campaign management course in late April, then be assigned to a state house campaign in time for the early May, 2000 filing deadline. In many cases, managers of winning campaigns have an option of a staff position once the elected candidate takes office.

For more information please contact Professor John S. Klemanski, Department of Political Science, Oakland University, Rochester, MI 48309-4488. Telephone (248) 370-2355; fax (248) 370-4299; e-mail: klemansk@oakland.edu or Oakland University at the NMC University Center; Telephone (231) 922-1770; fax (231) 922-1771; e-mail: lawton@oakland.edu.

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Following its successful pilot program, Consumers Energy is now one of the first major Michigan corporations to offer customers the option of on-line payment.

Customers who wish to learn more about Online Billing, or enroll for the service, can find information on the utility's website, www.consumersenergy.com. To enroll, customers must provide their current customer number, located at the top of the monthly Consumers Energy bill.

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current bill information, customers who choose Online Billing can review their previous 18 months' consumption of electricity and natural gas.

"We are delighted to offer our customers the Online Billing option. With personal computers in more than 50 percent of homes, we know that on-line commerce is an increasingly preferred method of bill payment," said Kenneth C. Emery, Consumers Energy's vice president, Information Technology and Operations Service.

"Enthusiastic response to our electronic billing pilot program demonstrated that customers want the option of electronic payment in a safe, secure on-line environment. We see the Internet as a primary vehicle for customer interaction in the next century," said Emery.

KCC instructor to present at Denver Convention

Annette LaLonde, Writing Instructor at Kirtland Community College, presented her session, "The Student Journal: Integral to the Composition Classroom" at the 89th Annual Convention of the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) in Denver on November 19.

Approximately 5,000 teachers and supervisors of elementary, middle and secondary English, English instructors at two-year colleges, college faculty in English and rhetoric, and teacher educators from all parts of the United States and Canada attended this year's NCTE Convention.

LaLonde's topic addressed journals as avenues for teacher-student dialogue and for moving students toward assignment objectives using Bloom's Taxonomy as a foundation.

On the agenda for the meeting are more than 700 concurrent sessions and workshops focusing on all aspects of the teaching of English, talks by well-known educators and authors, exhibits of new teaching materials, sessions of working committees, and business meetings.

The NCTE is a professional organization made up of 77,000 teachers and supervisors of English at all levels of education. Its aim is to improve the teaching of English and language arts in the nation's schools and colleges.

NCTE conducts national meetings and conferences, publishes journals and professional books on issues in the teaching of English, and provides other teaching aids. The Council's task groups carry out a variety of projects to enhance the teaching of English.



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Capital News Service

Lansing - In times of crisis, the 11,000 members of the Michigan Army and Air National Guard are called upon to defend state and national security. Now, with the Guard having a difficult time maintaining 100-percent strength, the state is, this year, trying to bolster the members' own security by spending \$2 million toward their college education.

Sen. Phil Hoffman, R-Horton, chaired the Senate subcommittee that created the State Education Reimbursement Program (SERP) and Tuition Grant Program that took effect October 1.

Hoffman hopes the financial incentive will attract and retain recruits. "Michigan was one of the few states that didn't help pay for college for its National Guard. It's one way to get people to serve and elevate the quality of candidates."

The Michigan National Guard is comprised of air and army units. Currently, the state's Air National Guard is at 86-percent strength, while the Army National Guard is at 91-percent strength.

There are many reasons the Guard has trouble attracting new recruits, said Lt. Dawn Dancer, Guard spokesperson. "The economy's good with high employment, for one," she said. "Also, parents and grandparents don't talk about the military with their kids, like people

used to. No one's mentoring children, encouraging them to join. It also doesn't help that the media portrays recent peacekeeping efforts negatively," Dancer added.

The plans share a common goal - to draw recruits - while being administered differently, said Steve Kozera, the state education officer for the Michigan National Guard.

For example, SERP, which reimburses 50 percent of tuition, up to \$2,000 per year at any accredited university or college in Michigan, is state-funded. Therefore, schools aren't obligated to actively participate. Instead, students pay or defer their tuition, and are later reimbursed from the state.

Alternately, the seven colleges in the Tuition Grant Program use private funds to cover up to 45 percent of a Guard member's tuition. On November 8, Cleary College of Ann Arbor joined the program, which

already included Western Michigan, Eastern Michigan, Northern Michigan, Ferris State and Lake Superior State universities. "Also participating are Davenport College campuses in Grand Rapids, Gaylord and Grayling, Holland, Kalamazoo, Battle Creek, Lansing, Alma, Traverse City and Scottville. Cleary College, a private school, offers a 30-percent tuition grant."

"A lot of private schools wouldn't sign on for the tuition-grant program," said Kozera. "The incentive, though, is that offering it helps increase the school's enrollment."

For example, private Hillsdale College has a policy against participating in any programs that are co-mingled with federal funds, while Michigan State University and the University of Michigan don't participate because they already turn away thousands of applicants each year.

John Czarnecki, Davenport's director of Northern Michigan regional operations, explained why his private school finds the partnership to be a good fit, despite not receiving the tax dollars participating public schools do. "We are a private, nonprofit business school," he said. "We see the National Guard as a market interested in business and leadership education, which we provide. It fits our mission of providing practical education to a specific audience."

Unlike SERP, the grant program asks institutions to be active partners with the National Guard. A school president and the Guard sign a memorandum of agreement, a formal statement expressing commitment to the program.

"It's like a handshake," Kozera said. "It's not actually a contract. Either side can break the agreement."

Generating station has new plant manager

CMS Energy Corporation's independent power production unit, CMS Generation Company, announced Philip E. Lewis has been appointed plant manager of its Grayling Generating Station.

Lewis succeeds Daniel E. Nally, plant manager since the facility's commissioning in 1992, who was transferred to CMS Generation's headquarters in Dearborn.

Thirty-nine year old Lewis is responsible for managing all business functions related to the 36-megawatt, waste wood-fueled plant.

This includes operations, maintenance and fuel supply. He was

previously operations and maintenance superintendent at the Grayling plant since 1995.

Lewis joined CMS Generation as a control room operator at its Filer City Station, located near Manistee, in 1990.

In 1991, he became an operations analyst at the company's Dearborn office, before being transferred to the Grayling plant as operations supervisor in 1992.

The new plant manager earned a bachelor of science degree in business management from Columbia State University and serves as a Lieutenant for the South Branch Township Fire Department.



Philip Lewis

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GHS students named to honors bands

► 15 Grayling band members earn District honors, 5 named to CMU honors band

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Fifteen members of the Grayling High School Band were selected for the District 2 Honors Band, after auditioning in Charlevoix earlier this month.

"I think this is the most we've ever had in the group," said Band Director Dennis Ormsbee.

District 2 includes schools of all classes from Rogers City to Frankfort. Students from 34 high schools were chosen to participate in the District Honors Band this year. Of the 120 students that auditioned, 100 made the cut.

Grayling will be represented by: Krys Rugenstein, Gwen Seifert, Erin Scott, Gina Rosi, Tiffany Ruark, Todd Gaffke, Ken Heinlein, Coleman Payne, Jessie Strait, Matt Thomas, Ann Hughes, Tim Ormsbee, Ryan Mirate, Jason Henning, and Bridget Reed.

Rugenstein and Seifert are both "first chairs" in the honors band.

Under the direction of Grand Valley State University Band Director Barry Martin, the District Honors Band will perform at Petoskey Middle School on Sunday, December 5, at 3 p.m. Band members will rehearse on Saturday afternoon, stay the night in Petoskey, and rehearse again on Sunday morning before the performance.

Performance selections may include "Flourish for Wind Band," "On a Hymn of Philip Bliss,"



Fifteen Grayling High School students were selected to participate in District 2 Honors Band this year, including: (front row, left to right) Erin Scott, Gina Rosi, Tiffany Ruark, Todd Gaffke, Ken Heinlein, Coleman Payne; (back row, left to right) Jessie Strait, Matt Thomas, Ann Hughes, Tim Ormsbee, Ryan Mirate, Jason Henning; (not pictured) Krys Rugenstein, Gwen Seifert, Bridget Reed. Five of the 15 band members also made the CMU Honors Band: Rugenstein, Seifert, Scott, Ormsbee, and Heinlein.

Photo by Caleb Casey

"Incidental Suite," "Chorale and Shaker Dance," "Americans We," Rejoice," and "Rollo Takes a Walk." "The repertoire varies," said Assistant GHS Band Director David Gott. "They play a wide range of good stuff."

Five of the GHS band members that were selected for the District

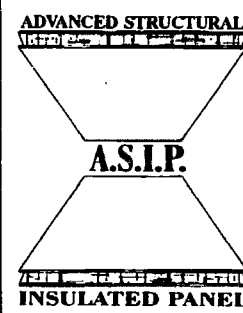
Honors Band were also recently named to the Central Michigan University Honors Band.

Rugenstein, Seifert, Scott, Ormsbee and Heinlein were all selected to participate in the CMU honors group, which contains about 90 members in all. Ormsbee and Scott both made first chair.

"They are really selective at CMU," said GHS band director Ormsbee. "Anybody in the state that is in high school band is eligible to audition for the CMU group. They have representatives from all over."

The students auditioned at CMU a few weeks ago, and performed there this past weekend.

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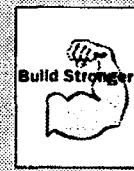
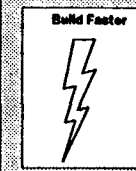
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OBITUARIES

Clarence F. Dixon

Clarence Floyd Dixon, 74, of White Lake, died Sunday, November 21, 1999.

Mr. Dixon was born May 19, 1925, in Grayling, the son of Clarence Edwin and Mary Dixon. He married Jane on January 22, 1949 in Pontiac. He was self-employed in metal recycling and enjoyed hunting, fishing and trapping. Along with his wife, Jane, they had been dealers at the Dixieland Flea Market.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Jane; three sons, David (Lisa) Dixon of Clarkston, James Dixon of Clarkston, John Dixon of White Lake; three daughters, Pamela (Olen) Purget of Hulbert, Oklahoma, Diane Barton of Ortonville and Kathy Dixon of White Lake; two sisters, Rosie Singer and Alice Fielding; 15 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Wednesday, November 24 at 2 p.m. at Coats Funeral Home, Waterford. Burial will follow at All Saints Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Tuesday from 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m.

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The family of
Carl W. Garbe

Gary E. Krenz

Gary E. Krenz, 54, of Grayling, died Saturday, November 20, 1999, at Grayling Nursing Centre.

Mr. Krenz was born August 19, 1945, in Saginaw, the son of Manuel and Amelia Krenz. He was self-employed as a laborer. He moved to Grayling three years ago from Detroit.

He was preceded in death by his father, Manuel Krenz on October 27, 1987.

He is survived by his mother, Amelia of Roscommon; two daughters, Brenda (Stan) Singell of New York, and Angela (Archie) Lester of Pinconning; one son, Aaron Krenz; one brother, Kenneth M. Krenz of Saginaw; five grandchildren.

Graveside services will be held Wednesday, November 24 at 10:30 a.m. at the Gerrish Township Cemetery with Reverend William Winter officiating.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thought for your week ahead: I will remember that just as I have expectations of other people, they also have expectations of me. I will strive to do my share!

Things that are happening at the center:

November 29 - Hangman, 5:30 p.m.

November 30 - Special games, 5:30 p.m.

December 1 - Hearing Clinic, by appointment; Wendy's Bingo

December 2 - Lucky 7 trip, 9:30 a.m.

December 3 - Pantry Bingo, 1 p.m.

December 5 - Sunday Brunch

December 6 - Hangman, 5:30 p.m.

December 7 - Ellie Mae's Western Dance, 5:30 p.m.

December 8 - Commodities at Eagles, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.; Birthday dinner; RSVP White Elephant auction.

December 9 - Blood Pressures, 11 a.m. - noon; Foot Clinic by appointment.

December 10 - Frederic Satellite; Pantry Bingo, 1 p.m.

Meals are available at noon, Monday through Friday and at 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

NOVEMBER MENU: Lunch/Dinner 23 - Thanksgiving dinners at noon and 5 p.m.

24 - Pepper Steak/BBQ Chicken 25 and 26 - Center is closed. Have a safe and happy holiday.

DECEMBER MENU: Lunch/Dinner 1 - Baked Chicken/Brown Steak 2 - BBQ Beef Sandwich/Pork Chops

3 - Spanish Rice with Ground Beef/no dinner

A thought to leave you with: More people rust out than wear out!

GRAYLING POLICE REPORT

The following complaints were received by the Grayling City Police Department from November 14 through November 20:

Five false alarms; two animal control complaints; one misdemeanor arrest; one assault; five assists to other departments; three breaking and entering; 21 check law violations; five city ordinance violations; one forgery; three juvenile complaints; three larcenies; one

malicious destruction of property; two motorist assists; one suspicious situation; one traffic accidents; one civil infraction citation; one traffic control complaint; one attempt to locate; 11 miscellaneous complaints. In addition, four traffic warnings were issued.

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by Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

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Signed: Winter wonderland exercise.

Answer: First, dress appropriately. Winter exercise apparel should include several layers of loose fitting clothes that can be easily removed as you start to sweat. Don't forget to include mittens, headwear and shoes with good traction.

Warm up and cool down by stretching indoors. Drink a lot of water. It is easy to become dehydrated in cold weather. Avoid alcohol and caffeine which dehydrate. Dehydration hinders your body's ability to regulate its temperature. Don't forget about wind. Compensate for a strong wind by running or riding against it on your way out, not your way back. You will work hardest before you're tired and sweaty.

Be extra careful and alert. Watch for skidding cars. Shorter days mean less visibility. Keep moving. If you stop, put on extra clothes. Avoid snow and ice - it's not worth the risk of injury. Some joggers are

able to run on hard packed snow but the pace needs to be slowed and steps shortened. Wear your sun glasses and sunscreen. Winter means snow covered ground which can reflect the sun and cause burns or obscure your vision.

Ask your doctor if it is safe to breathe cold air. This is not harmful for healthy people but those who suffer from asthma, angina or high blood pressure should check with a doctor before exercising in the cold. They may need to wear a scarf in front of the face or a special mask.

Know symptoms of frostbite and hypothermia. These are the two main dangers of exercising in the cold. Watch for any numbness or white discoloration of frostbite particularly on hands, feet, ears and face. Hypothermia is a dangerous drop in body temperature that could occur if you were outside for many hours, cold, wet, and not moving around.

Take special precautions if exercising at night - wear fluorescent or reflective materials, run or walk against traffic and either wear or carry a light. Stay off high traffic roads, avoid looking at headlights and don't wear headphones. When choosing shoes, pick ones that offer good traction and shock absorption, especially when running on hard frozen ground. If shoes have extra space inside, they will trap warm air. Also, when it is cold you can wear an extra pair of socks.

It is important to drink just as much water in the cold weather as in the hot weather. It is easy to become dehydrated in cold weather because of sweating, breathing and stepped up urine production.

CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

The Genealogy Program with Steve Doyle, Elmwood Cemetery Sexton, met November 9. The project for the group will be to explore the twelve Crawford County cemeteries for information.

The twelve cemeteries are Oakwood, Beaver Creek, Pioneer, Cheney (Pere Cheney), Elmwood, Lovells Township, Maple Forest Township, Rock, Ball, Stephan and two unknown/unnamed cemeteries.

The first step will be to contact the townships and locate a map or any other information available about the site. The cemetery will be visited and the information on the tombstones will be recorded and matched to the map.

The only cemeteries that do not have volunteers to visit them to gather the information are Lovells Township and one unknown/unnamed cemetery.

The information will be available at the conclusion of the project, but at this time it is unknown whether it will be on a database or in book format.

For more information, call 348-

9214.

The Crawford County Library is open Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Phone is 348-9214. Website is

<http://www.nlc.lib.mi.us/members/crawford/>

The Lovells Township Library is open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and Saturday 12 noon-3 p.m. Phone is 348-9215.

The Frederic Community Library is open Monday-Tuesday 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Wednesday-Thursday 1 p.m.-6 p.m. Phone is 348-4067.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following complaints were received by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department from November 15 through November 22:

One criminal sexual conduct; two assault; one burglary; three larceny; one vehicle theft; two fraud; nine property damage; one weapons; one public peace; one OUIL/OUID; five health and safety (two of which were animal control); three conservation; four miscellaneous criminal; three minors; 20 accidents (15 of which were car-deer; 7 of those occurred on opening day); two civil traffic; one traffic safety; one hunting accident; seven vehicle inspection; seven civil/family trouble; three suspicious situations; one lost/found property; 30 general non-criminal.

A total of 109 complaints were handled by the sheriff's department during the one-week period.

Thanksgiving fact:

Drowsy after dinner? Blame it on the tryptophan

The Thanksgiving post-dinner nap is almost as much a tradition as the feast itself. But is it being stuffed that makes us drowsy, or is it something in the stuffing - or in the turkey?

Mimi Lou, interim nutrition specialist for the U-M Housing Division, says that the amino acid tryptophan, which is found in many of the foods we eat at Thanksgiving, can make you sleepy. "Tryptophan stimulates

the production of the neurotransmitter serotonin, and that's what causes part of the drowsiness you feel after Thanksgiving dinner," said Lou.

She says that tryptophan is present in turkey, potatoes, yams and rolls, all of which grace the typical Thanksgiving table.

So, the next time you're napping during cleanup time, blame it on the tryptophan. E-mail Lou at mimilou@umich.edu.



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Bill could help use of DNA in criminal investigations

A bill introduced in the U.S. House today with bipartisan support would provide major assistance to local, state and federal law enforcement agencies in utilizing DNA to identify sex offenders, violent offenders, and missing persons.

Rep. Bart Stupak (D-Menominee), joined Rep. Jim Ramstad (R-Minnesota), and Rep. Benjamin Gilman (R-New York), in unveiling legislation that would fund analyzing and recording a nationwide backlog of DNA samples collected from convicted offenders and unsolved cases.

Stupak, who serves as co-chairman of the House Law Enforcement Caucus with Ramstad, said there may be a serious misunderstanding in the general public about the availability of DNA as a basic tool in every important investigation.

"The sad reality is that state and local police departments do not have the resources to deal with the number of DNA samples they collect," Stupak said.

"This DNA may be sitting on a shelf, waiting to be tested, cataloged, and made available - not only to that law enforcement agency but

to other local, state and national law enforcement agencies. Unanalyzed and unrecorded DNA samples are useless for criminal investigations."

Stupak said this situation could clearly lead to a scenario in which a convicted sex offender, whose DNA has been collected but not tested or entered into the law enforcement database, gets out of jail and commits another assault.

"Even if his DNA is collected from the new crime scene, he will not be identified by this means, because his previous sample is still sitting on the shelf," Stupak said.

The proposed legislation, called the Convicted Offender DNA Index System Support Act, would permit the FBI to contract with private labs

to test the samples of convicted offenders. In addition, states could receive funding to analyze their backlog of DNA samples from unsolved cases.

Michigan currently has around 5,000 samples that have not been analyzed, Stupak said.

"Discovery of the unique genetic markers of DNA was a scientific breakthrough that can be invaluable in criminal investigations," Stupak said. "With DNA we can tie criminals to other crimes, help innocent people go free, and provide answers in the case of missing persons that might forever have gone unsolved."

"This bill will bring us closer to that unrealized goal," Rep. Stupak said.

The #1 Cause of Disability: Low Back Pain



Eight out of ten adults will experience a low back problem at some time in their lives. With back problems so widespread, chances are, you too will experience back problems at some time.

While some patients seek chiropractic care only when pain is unbearable, this "crisis" approach often costs more in the long run—in time, stress, and dollars. Evidence, and the experiences of millions of chiropractic patients, suggests that spinal manipulation is, in many cases, the most effective approach to reducing low back pain and helping recovery.

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High schoolers with disabilities invited to four-day career forum

Application packets for the Michigan Youth Leadership Forum for high school students with disabilities have been mailed to Intermediate School Districts in Michigan, as well as to a number of disability-related agencies.

"This excellent program will bring together young people who have already begun to demonstrate community and school leadership and have made these achievements despite a variety of disabilities," said Lydia Graber, Chair of the Michigan Commission on Disability Concerns.

The Forum is a four-day career and future planning awareness program that will take place July 17 - 20, 2000 on the campus of Michigan State University. Approximately 30 high school juniors and seniors (in the 2000-2001 school year) with disabilities will be selected, through a competitive process, to attend the Forum. There is no charge for students to attend.

"Young people with disabilities have more opportunities and more challenges than at any other time in our nation's history," said Douglas Howard, Director of Michigan's Family Independence Agency. "However, many young people need encouragement and

information about resources to develop as leaders in their communities."

Students will have the opportunity to learn from each other and from successful adults with disabilities who are recognized leaders and role models. Forum programs will include such topics as "choosing a career", "the history of disabilities as a culture", and "developing self-esteem."

Gerry Mutty, Director of the Michigan Commission on Disability Concerns, invites students with disabilities to apply for the Forum and to help in recruiting other students to apply. "Students will gain the necessary information and self-confidence to return to their schools and communities to serve as role models for other students with disabilities," said Mutty.

For more information about the Michigan Youth Leadership Forum and to obtain a copy of the application packet, contact Michigan Commission on Disability Concerns: Internet www.mfca.state.mi.us/mcdc/mcdc.htm; e-mail mcdc@state.mi.us; or telephone (517) 334-8000 voice/TTY. Completed application packets must be postmarked by December 31.

Kirtland to display works of artist/photographer

The work of wildlife artist/photographer Kim Diment will be exhibited at the Kirtland Community College Art Gallery through December 11.

A native of northeastern Michigan, Diment started drawing and painting at an early age. She often found herself wandering about the forests of the AuSable River near her hometown of Oscoda where she could watch and sketch birds and animals.

She graduated from Oscoda High School and continued her studies at Michigan State University (MSU) graduating with majors in fine arts and zoology in 1985. She later returned to MSU to earn her teaching certificate.

While still in college, Diment found time to enter the Michigan State Duck Stamp and Michigan United Conservation Clubs' (MUCC) Wildlife Artist of the Year competitions. Only after she started to teach art in Standish did she begin placing in these annual events.

In the Michigan Duck Stamp competition, she placed in the top 10 three times and received a second place finish in 1994, third place

in 1995, and another second place in 1999. In the MUCC competition, she placed third and fifth with three top ten placings as well.

This gave her the opportunity to have artwork in three different MUCC calendars.

Diment became an avid traveler and photographer in her college years after a trip to Europe. She returned to England to do her student teaching and continue her travels.

She has spent several summers traveling and photographing in Kenya, Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Botswana, Malawi, and South Africa.

She has also photographed in the Amazon Basin, the Galapagos, Canada, and various areas of the United States. Currently, Diment is working on her series of African "Big Cat" paintings on large canvas in acrylic.

The Art Gallery is on College Drive on the Kirtland campus at 10775 North St. Helen Road. The Gallery hours are from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. A special reception was held for the artist on November 10 to open the exhibit.

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HEALTHLINE

by Linda DeMarchis, M.A., Health Educator

This column is presented as a public service to the community by District Health Department No. 10, which covers a ten county area. If you have any questions you would like answered in this column, please send them to: Health Education Department, in care of your local Health Department.

Salad Bar Do's and Don'ts

Question: My friend and I are both on diets. When we go out for lunch I choose salad bar because I think it is the least fattening. She has a hot meal. My friend keeps trying to tell me I'm eating more fat and calories than she is. Is this possible?

Signed: Salad bar Sally.

Answer: Yes, this is not only possible but probable. A study done at Mississippi State University found that students who ate the salad bar for lunch usually consumed more calories than those who ate a hot meal.

Suppose you make a trip through the salad bar and choose the follow-

ing items:

- 1 cup of lettuce
- 1/2 tomato sliced
- 1/2 cup of cottage cheese
- 4 slices of cucumber
- 1/2 cup of marinated bean salad
- 1/4 cup macaroni salad
- 1 1/2 small ladles of salad dressing
- 1/4 cup grated cheese
- 3 ripe olives
- 1/8 cup of sunflower seeds
- 1 hard boiled egg, chopped or sliced
- 1/4 cup diced ham

This is a typical plateful from a salad bar. Just this amount provides about 1,000 calories and to make matters worse, some items have an extremely high fat content. If the salad bar includes rolls and muffins, soup and dessert, which many do, it is highly possible your "diet" lunch is close to 2,000 calories.

Still, a salad bar can fit into a healthy meal plan if the consumer follows a few suggestions:

- Choose mainly fresh vegetables, fruits, and legumes as the main

items on your plate.

- Cottage cheese is a good choice as well if it is a low fat variety, but on a salad bar it is hard to determine if it is.

- Use sparingly the fat laden items such as avocados, olives, sunflower seeds, bacon bits, oriental noodles, croutons, grated cheese and chopped eggs - or avoid them altogether.

- Try not to enthusiastically ladle on salad dressings. Most ladles hold 2 tablespoonsful of dressing (at least). You shouldn't use several ladles full on a salad. Choose a low fat dressing if it is available or vinegar with only a little oil. Better still, put dressing on the side for dipping. You will use much less.

- Pasta or vegetable salads that are marinated often contain lots of oil or mayonnaise. Eat these sparingly.

- If soup is offered on a salad bar, remember that vegetable based soups are low in fat while beef base or creamy soups are not.

Salad bars can offer healthy low calorie meals with the careful selec-

tion of ingredients. Another benefit

- they can provide the five daily servings of fruits and vegetables that are recommended for healthy eating.

The trick is to know what you're selecting and avoid the hidden calories and fat grams.

About Thanksgiving: Did the Pilgrims have our Thanksgiving dinner?

Every child knows the story of the first Thanksgiving. But did the Pilgrims actually sit down to stuffed turkey and cranberry sauce? Not according to Richard Ford, professor of anthropology at the U-M.

"The Pilgrims had few resources to draw from, and a limited number of foods," said Ford. "At that time, the domesticated plants known to the Native Americans were corn, beans and squash, while the Europeans brought over wheat, barley for beer, and peas, although they may not have produced much of a crop that year."

The meat at the feast was wild,

and included deer, turkey and other fowl, and fish.

The dinner probably also included berries, but not cranberries, since there was no sugar to sweeten them.

So where did the turkey dinner with all the trimmings come from? "The First Thanksgiving was not repeated annually and actually did not become an official holiday until President Lincoln declared it," said Ford. "By then there were many different foods that could be served and it is from this time period that our typical dinner foods derive."

Contact Ford at riford@umich.edu.



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Nominees for Athena, Citizen of the Year needed Chamber raffle tickets now on sale

Nominations for Citizen of the Year and Athena Awards are being accepted until December 15, 1999 at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce office.

The Chamber is asking for the public's help in recognizing outstanding people in our community by submitting nominations for their consideration.

Nomination forms are available at the Chamber office on James Street near the City Park, however, letters of nomination will also be consid-

ered.

Nominations for Citizen of the Year need to include reason for the nomination, accomplishments, community service, and other factors important for consideration.

Nominations for the Athena Award should include how the nominee assists women in reaching their full leadership potential, business accomplishments, community service, other memberships, achievements, awards, publications and any additional information pertaining to

award criteria.

Martha Maywood Mertz, a Lansing realtor, created the Athena Foundation. Her goal was to focus on outstanding professional and businesswomen in the community and to encourage the opening of leadership opportunities for women within the chamber of commerce and the community's workplace. The program includes over 375 U.S. cities, as well as Canada and Russia.

The Athena Award is no longer limited to recognizing women --

men have also received the award. More than 2,600 women and men throughout the United States have been recognized for their accomplishments with the Athena Award.

The Chamber also announced the Annual \$10,000 Chamber Challenge Raffle, sponsored by the Grayling Chamber, will be held January 22, 2000.

Tickets are available from Chamber Board members or at the Chamber office. For more information, call 348-2921.

46TH CIRCUIT COURT — Sentencings for September through November 1999

Honorable Dennis F. Murphy

David Alan Kohut of Roscommon - Del/Mfg Marijuana - 90 days in County jail (held in abeyance), \$500 fine or 100 hours Community Service, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 Attorney fees and \$150 Forensic Lab fee, 18 months probation.

Avery Robert Parker of Roscommon - Domestic Violence - 93 days in County jail, \$500 fine, \$100 costs, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund.

Roger Dale Guilfoil of Roscommon - Probation Violations - 28 to 48 months with Michigan Dept. of Corrections.

Brandon Lee Mateos of Grayling - Probation Violations - 24 to 48 months with Michigan Dept. of Corrections.

Ricky Carpenter of Grayling - Probation Violations - 63 days in the County jail, probation reinstated.

Honorable John G. Hunter

Timothy Lee Wakeley of Grayling - Resist and Obstruct Officer - 16 to 24 months with Michigan Dept. of Corrections.

Timothy Lee Wakeley of Grayling - O.U.I.L. 2nd - 365 days in the County jail.

Frederick Jay Mellen of Grayling - O.U.I.L. 3rd - 365 days in the County jail, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund.

Frederick Jay Mellen of Grayling - Assault with weapon - 23 to 48 months with Michigan Dept. of Corrections, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, Restitution to be determined.

Mark Houston Nelson of Roscommon - Home Invasion 2nd Degree - 365 days in the County jail, \$250 fine, \$250 costs, Restitution to be determined, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, 48 months probation.

Ryan Scott Hubbard of Roscommon - Home Invasion 2nd Degree - \$250 fine, \$250 costs, Restitution to be determined, \$60

Crime Victims' Fund, 48 months probation.

Jan Dennis Grounds of Grayling - Larceny Building - 12 to 48 months with Michigan Dept. of Corrections, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$5,218.45 Restitution.

Honorable Alton T. Davis

Mark Steven Yarger of Grayling - Home Invasion 1st Degree - 84 to 240 months with Michigan Department of Corrections, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$400 restitution.

Kenneth William Potter of Roscommon - Home Invasion 2nd - 60 days in the County jail, \$240 costs, \$2.43 restitution, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 Attorney Fees, 24 months probation.

Michael Dennis Lavack of Mancelona - O.U.I.L. 3rd - 24 to 60 months with Michigan Dept. of Corrections.

David Glen Honke of Grayling - O.U.I.L. 3rd - 30 to 60 months with Michigan Dept. of Corrections, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$583.25 Restitution, \$500 fine.

Avery Parker of Roscommon - Probation Violation - Additional 12 months probation.

Jeffrey Michael Hughes of Roscommon - Home Invasion 2nd Degree - 180 days in County jail (held in abeyance), \$350 costs, \$2.43 restitution, \$60 Crime Victims' Fund, \$350 Attorney Fees, 36 months probation.

'Take A Deep Breath' at Mercy

Mercy Hospital, Grayling is sponsoring a program for the community entitled, "Take A Deep Breath." The program is designed for those who suffer from Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, also known as COPD. The most common types of COPD are emphysema, chronic bronchitis and asthma. A few symptoms of COPD are difficulty breathing or catching your breath, persistent cough, wheezing, and tiring during activity.

Sufferers from Chronic

Obstructive Pulmonary Disease and those who live with them can attend one of the following sessions.

Mercy Internal Medicine Campus - December 1, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Mercy Roscommon Campus - December 8, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Mercy Prudenville Campus - December 15, 6:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

To register or to have questions answered, call the Community Relations Department at Mercy Hospital, Grayling at (517) 348-0708.

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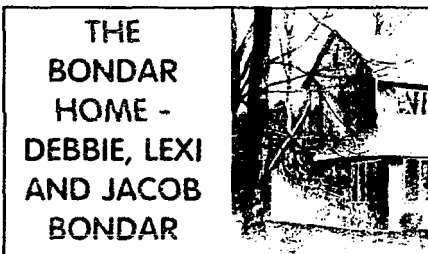
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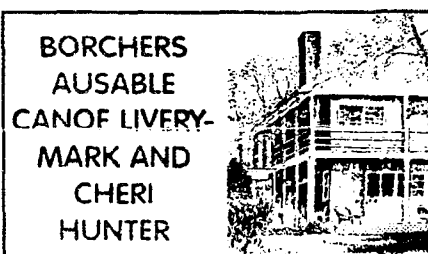
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Plutonium shipment to be a 'one-time thing'

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Michigan will not become the nuclear corridor route for shipping plutonium to Canada. Secretary of Energy Bill Richardson promised Reps. Dave Camp (R-Michigan) and Jim Barcia (D-Bay City), and six other members of the Michigan delegation when he met privately with them last week.

"The Secretary gave us his word, face-to-face, that this is a one-time shipment," Camp said. "Officials from his department also spoke at a public meeting in Saginaw two weeks ago."

"One of my main concerns about this shipment all along is that I-75 not become a nuclear corridor," Barcia said. "We are satisfied with the Secretary's assurance, in response to our meeting and a letter we wrote to him on November 4th, that there will be no additional shipments of plutonium from New Mexico to Canada through Michigan."

The federal government is supporting a test of methods for disposing of weapons-grade plutonium by testing mixed oxide (MOX) fuel, which contains some weapons-grade plutonium, by shipping it to Canada as part of "Project Parallax."

Project Parallax is an agreement between the United States and Russia whereby both countries would provide test material to dispose of their surplus weapons-grade plutonium and enriched uranium by using it as a fuel to produce power.

"Secretary Richardson also gave us his assurance that the federal government will assume all responsibility for the safety of the shipment, thus relieving local officials' expected 'first responder' responsibility," Barcia said.

The criteria used to choose the route were also discussed during the meeting with Richardson, Camp and Barcia said.

"Secretary Richardson made no commitments on changing the crossing point, but said if the two countries agree to change the crossing point, mechanisms exist to do so," Camp said.

After protests from Camp and Barcia that local officials and residents living along the proposed route were not adequately notified about the shipment, Energy officials also agreed to a public meeting in Saginaw on November 1, where they explained the safety of the shipment and answered questions from the public.

Additional public meetings were hosted by Rep. Bart Stupak (D-Menominee) and Rep. Debbie Stabenow (D-Lansing).

Present at the meeting with Richardson were Reps. Barcia, Camp, Stupak, Stabenow, David Bonior (D-Mount Clemens), Joe Knollenberg (R-Bloomfield Twp.), Vern Ehlers (R-Grand Rapids) and Fred Upton (R-St. Joseph).

Land, fishery and forest groups partner to protect 6,000 acres

The Trust for Public Land joins the U.S. Forest Service in announcing the protection of nearly 6,000 acres of river frontage and upland forest land across seven lower Michigan counties.

Located within the Huron-Manistee National Forest, the lands are a mixture of wetlands and old growth forest, including almost six miles of river frontage on the AuSable and Manistee Rivers. With its variety of rivers, streams, and forests, the properties will provide numerous recreational opportunities along the North Country National Scenic Trail and protect critical habitat for threatened and endangered species.

Once owned by the Consumers Power Company, the lands total 5,973 acres throughout Alcona, Crawford, Manistee, Mecosta, Newaygo, Oscoda, and Wexford Counties. In a 1996 settlement, 11,000 acres of land were transferred from the company to the Great Lakes Fishery Trust (GLFT), which was authorized to sell the lands to generate funds to support Great Lakes fishery restoration projects.

Because of the property's ecological and recreational value, the Forest Service approached the Trust for Public Land (TPL) to help protect GLFT lands within the boundaries of the Huron-Manistee National Forest from development. TPL purchased the lands from GLFT and conveyed them to the Forest.

The acquisition's funding was approved by the U.S. Congress through the Land and Water Conservation Fund, with critical support coming from members of the Michigan Congressional delegation, especially Senators Carl Levin and Spencer Abraham, and Congressman Dave Camp.

"In many years of working on behalf of Michigan's natural resources, this project stands out as a unique and ingenious effort to ensure the health and vitality of our state's rivers, streams and fisheries," state Senator Carl Levin. "I was pleased to be a strong supporter of this special project, which will benefit Michigan's residents and visitors for years to come."

Senator Spencer Abraham said: "I am pleased to have worked successfully on behalf of this unique land conservation project. Setting aside such sensitive land brings multiple benefits to Michigan's natural resources and ensures protection of our forests and fisheries for future generations."

"Our work to acquire this land is a unique opportunity to protect the habitat of one of mid-Michigan's most famous birds, the Kirtland's warbler, and other animals, as well as to preserve a wide variety of wetland habitats," Congressman Dave Camp said. "It is a great example

of teamwork between the federal government and conservation groups."

These lands include some of the most critical wildlife habitat in the state of Michigan, sheltering threatened and endangered species such as the Kirtland's warbler (the most rare migratory songbird), Karner blue butterfly, and bald eagle. This remote mixture of river frontage, forest lands, and wetlands also supports a range of other wildlife, including wild orchids, sandhill cranes, and black bears.

Support from the Michigan United Conservation Club was instrumental in obtaining the necessary funding. James Goodheart, Executive Director of MUCC and a trustee of the Great Lakes Fisheries Trust, said: "The transfer of this property to the United States Forest Service will accomplish two major public purposes."

"By placing these lands in public ownership the natural resource values can be protected while providing excellent opportunities for hunter, anglers and others who can now use them for a wide variety of recreational purposes."

"In addition, the funds generated from this sale will be used by the trust to enhance the Great Lakes fishery resources through grants to government agencies, non-profit conservation organizations and universities for fisheries research, habi-

tat protection, education, and fishing access."

By securing this property, the Trust for Public Land and the Huron-Manistee National Forest are helping to prevent development on these critical lands and to aid in the protection of wildlife and fishery resources that contribute to the high quality of recreational opportunities in Michigan.

"This purchase includes many tracts that fit into our current National Forest ownership like missing pieces of a puzzle," said Acting Forest Supervisor John Serfass. "With the decreasing amount of undeveloped land remaining in this part of Michigan, these new public lands will become increasingly important as havens for wildlife and fish, as well as for people who enjoy our natural environment."

Through these ongoing cooperative efforts the Trust for Public Land (TPL) has protected more than one million acres of land nationwide, including over 52,000 acres in Michigan. The Trust for Public Land is a national nonprofit land conservation organization dedicated to preserving land of recreational, ecological, and historical value for the public. Working with communities, landowners, and government agencies, TPL protects land as parks, trails, greenways, wilderness and historic landmarks.

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Vikings lose to Sault Blue Devils

► **Strong 2nd half comeback falls short, Sault's inside game too much for GHS**

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Sault Ste. Marie Blue Devils ended Grayling's season and the Vikings' run at the District title on Wednesday, November 17, as the Blue Devils beat the Vikings 68-57 in a District Semi-Final match.

Sault Ste. Marie took a big early lead, but the Vikings put together a valiant comeback effort in the second half to make the game close.

The Blue Devils had a significant size advantage in the paint, and physically overpowered Grayling inside for most of the game. The majority of Sault Ste. Marie's points were scored near and under the basket.

The Sault Ste. Marie team opened the game with a 15-0 run, scoring six of its buckets inside. Grayling stopped the Blue Devils from scoring in the last three minutes of the first quarter, but the Vikes were unable to score until one minute left.

At the 1:01 mark Mika Sumner took a rebound back up for a score. With 16 seconds left, Emily Henion made a nice move to the basket after a steal, and Brandy Ritter finished the period scoring with a three pointer with three seconds left.

With the 7-0 run, Grayling was within eight after one quarter, 15-7.

Carrie Cadeau opened the second period with a put-back under the basket, but SSM scored three straight baskets inside to take a 21-

9 lead.

Grayling kept up with the Devils for the remainder of the half, scoring points mainly on jump shots.

Andrea Elmy hit three jumpers and two free throws for eight GHS points in the second quarter. Emily Fox and Sumner also scored for Grayling in the period.

Sault led 32-23 at halftime.

Grayling came out in the second half with more intensity on both ends of the court. GHS played a more physical game, and was able to disrupt Sault's strong inside game.

The Vikings mounted a big third quarter comeback.

With 5:34 left in the third period, Elmy hit a short jumper, followed by triples by Kristy Hulbert and Fox, which cut the Sault lead to three.

As the Devils fought back, a shot inside by Henion and a three-pointer by Ritter helped keep the SSM lead at three.

After a late inside bucket by the Devils, Jayme Potter hit a short basket off the glass at the buzzer to put the score at Grayling 42, Sault 45, going into the fourth quarter.

Grayling continued to battle well down low, especially on the defensive end, forcing SSM to take more jumpers and three-pointers, which were not nearly as effective as the team's inside game.

The physical battle down low resulted in several Grayling fouls, which started to take its toll toward the end of the game as SSM scored points at the line.

With under two minutes left in the game, SSM hit a shot in the paint to go up seven, 56-49.

Henion answered with a driving jump shot. Henion grabbed a steal on the next Sault possession and scored the jumper to pull GHS back within three, 56-53, with 1:35 left in the game.

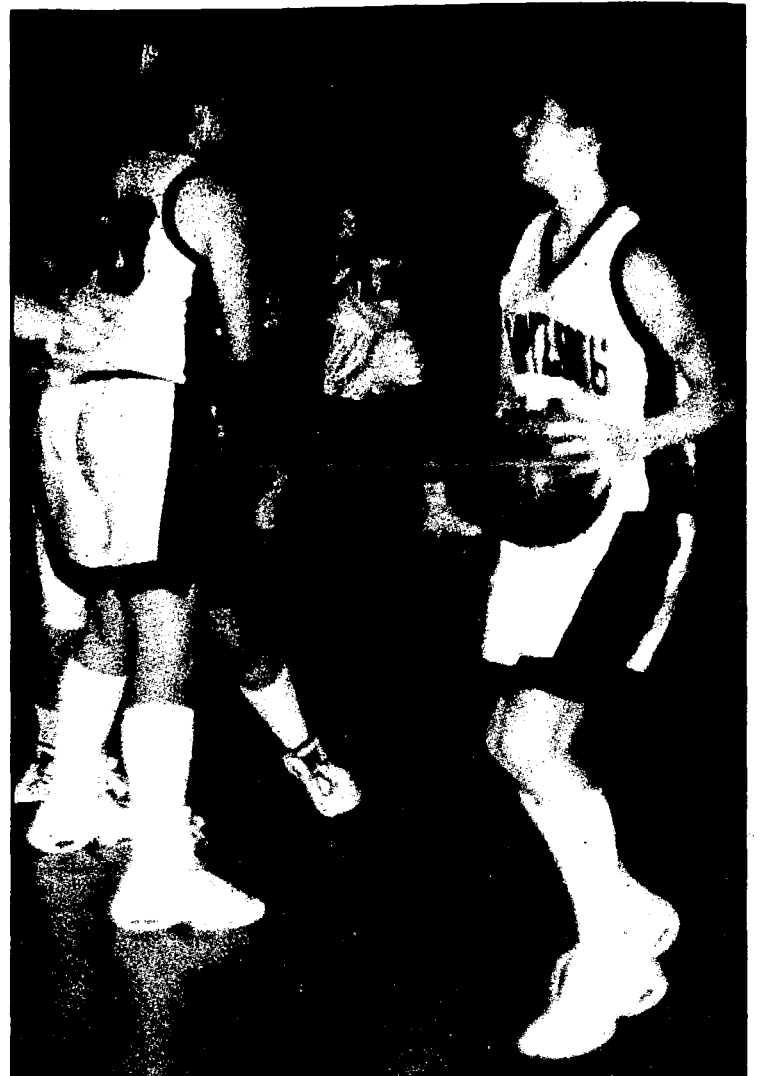
Grayling didn't have enough left to pull any closer, however, and SSM started to pull away.

A three-point play brought the momentum back to the Blue Devils, and extended their lead to six. Sault scored four more points on three trips to the free throw line.

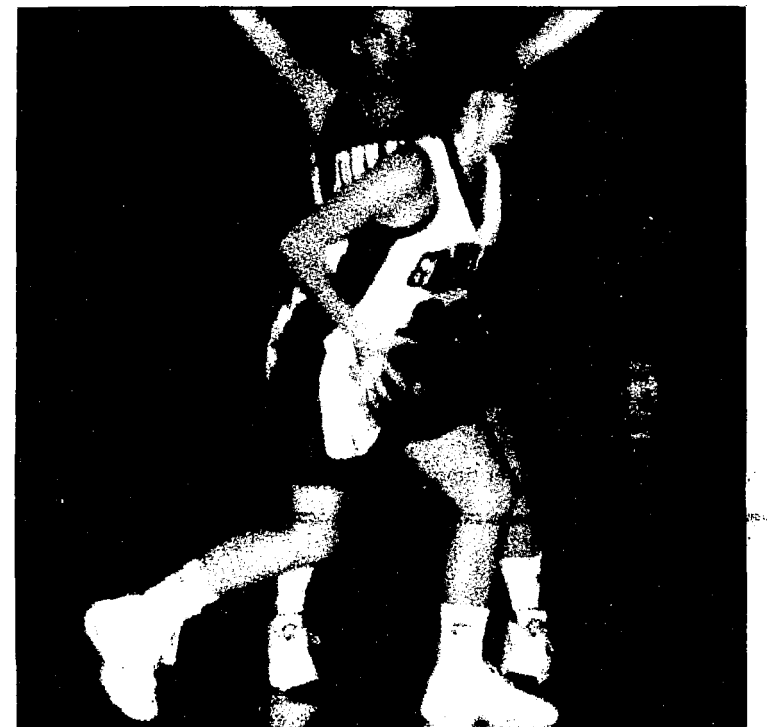
With 35 seconds left, Paxton was fouled on a three-point shot, and converted two of three from the stripe. A Sault three-point play and two more free throws by SSM put the game out of reach.

A shot inside by Paxton in the final seconds finished the scoring, leaving the final game tally at 68-57.

High scorers for the game were



Mika Sumner (#50) sets a pick for guard Carrie Cadeau, who prepares to shoot.



Ritter, Elmy, and Henion, each of whom scored 10 points. Hulbert and Sumner each added six.

Forward Andrea Elmy battles an opponent near the basket.

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Five GHS football players named All-Conference

► **Vikings take one spot on 1st team, 5 honorable mentions**

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

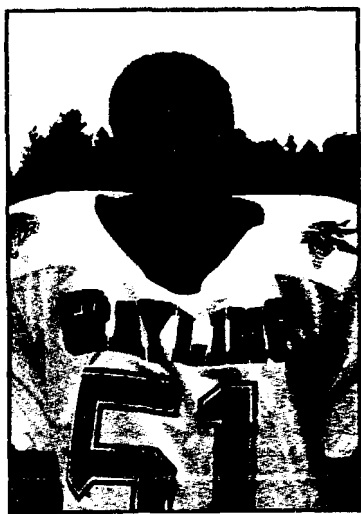
Five Viking football players recently received All-Conference honors.

Ray Trudgeon was named to the North East Michigan Conference first team for his work on the defensive line this season.

Honorable mentions went to: quarterback Levi Burkett, running back Eli Tobin, tight end Jeremy Latusek, offensive lineman Ray Trudgeon, and defensive player Marc Weaver.

"The way this league is, if you at least get an honorable mention, it's a privilege," said GHS Football Coach Rodney Patterson.

All-Conference honors are voted on by the NEMC coaches, but a



Ray Trudgeon
All-Conference 1st team

coach can't vote for his own players, explained Patterson.

Grayling placed third in the NEMC this year with a 3-3 conference record.



Levi Burkett
Honorable Mention



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Two Viking runners compete at State

► **Wymans finish 129th and 156th out of 279 runners**

After qualifying for the State Cross Country meet on Saturday, October 30, Kathy and Karen Wyman traveled to Brooklyn (MI) to test their skills against the other top female Class B state qualifiers. The race was held at Michigan International Speedway.

Out of a field of 279 runners, Kathy placed 129th with a time of 20:38. Karen placed 156th with a time of 20:49.

"Although there were 27 runners between them, there was only an 11 second spread, that gives a pretty clear indication of the level of the competition," said Coach Ron Rakoczy.

"Kathy was not a newcomer to the state final meet, as she also ran in it last year. I was pleased with their performance. Kathy bested her time



Kathy Wyman

by 30 seconds over last year's state meet, and Karen had the best race of her running career," said Rakoczy.

"The Wymans' performance on the team this year definitely gives us a goal to work towards for next year. Because Kathy has gone to state the past two years, I'd like to see state qualifiers from both the boys' and girls' teams attend next year," said Coach Rakoczy.



Karen Wyman



Karen and Kathy Wyman compete in a regular season meet. Both made it to State, qualifying at Regionals.



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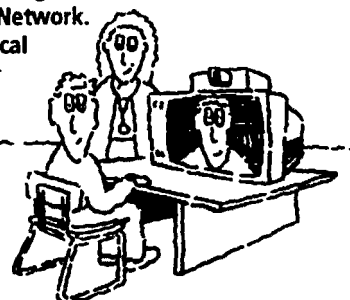
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Game 5 _____		Game 12 _____		Game 19 _____	
Game 6 _____		Game 13 _____		Game 20 _____	
Game 7 _____		Game 14 _____			
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| 3. Tennessee | 13. St. Louis |
| 4. Green Bay | 14. Free** |
| 5. Carolina | 15. Florida St. |
| 6. Indianapolis | 16. U of M |
| 7. Tampa Bay | 17. MSU |
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Varsity basketball team prepares for '99/00 season

► **Vikes open with Bucks on Tuesday, December 7, at Roscommon HS**

The GHS varsity boys basketball team, hoping to compete for the top spot in the always tough North East Michigan Conference, continues to prepare for the upcoming season.

Grayling's first game will be at Roscommon on Tuesday, December 7.

Coach Rich Moffit says team members have been working hard in preparation for the upcoming basketball season.

"Our league should be very balanced and pretty good," said Coach Moffit. "There are a number of teams that could challenge for the league championship. One thing is for certain in the NEMC, you must bring your 'A' game to the court if you are going to be successful."

"We have the potential to be a good team," said Coach Moffit. "Our kids have worked very hard during the off-season to improve their strength and skills. Our team chemistry is very good. There is a love for each other and all of our players are striving to make this year successful."

Grayling has five seniors returning to this year's squad: Eli Tobin, Nate Hinkle, Dave Hawkins, Brad Wilson, and Adam Knapp. Joe Fritz, Per Lampinen, and Jeremy Latusek are the other three seniors playing for varsity this year.

The eight 12th graders are joined by last year's JV standouts Brad Gorski, Levi Burkett and Marcus Bobenmoyer, and junior Marcus Marelich.

The following is a complete run down of this year's team with scouting reports by Coach Moffit:

ELI TOBIN -- 5'8" senior guard; explosive point guard who possesses the ability to penetrate and finish at the offensive end of the court; All-League for two years; averaged 11 points and five assists per game



Eli Tobin



(Left to right) This year's five returning seniors for Grayling are: Brad Wilson, Nate Hinkle, Eli Tobin, Dave Hawkins, and Adam Knapp.

NATE HINKLE -- 6'3" senior guard; signed letter of intent to play at Grand Valley State University; increased his strength during the off-season; All-State and All-League for two years; averaged 22 points; excellent outside shooter who can play all five positions on the floor

DAVE HAWKINS -- 6'2" senior forward; All-League Honorable Mention; good outside shooter who can play all five positions on the floor

ADAM KNAPP -- 6'3" senior center; regained the speed and quickness that he possessed during his sophomore season; physical defender who has improved his scoring ability in the paint

BRAD WILSON -- 5'11" senior guard; tough defender who has improved his game immensely; provides intensity on the court

JOE FRITZ -- 6'8" senior center; provides the size that GHS has lacked for the past few years; good rebounder who can change a player's shot in the paint

BRAD GORSKI -- 6'0" junior point guard; excellent passer who can hit the "three" or take it to the hole; led last year's JV team to a 16-4 record

LEVI BURKETT -- 6'0" junior guard; excellent outside shooter who is a great offensive rebounder

JEREMY LATUSEK -- 6'1" senior forward; first year of playing organized basketball; excellent rebounder and defender who brings toughness to the game

MARCUS BOBENMOYER -- 6'3" junior forward; excellent range on his outside jump shot; plays well in transition

MARCUS MARELICH -- 6'0"

junior forward; possesses a strong work ethic and is a good rebounder; one of the hardest working players on the team

PER LAMPINEN -- 6'2" senior center; foreign exchange student who is playing his first year of basketball; good worker

"This group of kids is fun to



Nate Hinkle

watch," said Coach Moffit. "We will pressure every inch of the court and run in transition whenever the opportunity exists."

"We have a number of concerns going into the season," said Moffit. "The number one priority to improve is rebounding. We have to do a better job on the boards this year if we are going to be successful."

Grayling's first home match will be against West Branch Ogemaw Heights on Friday, December 10.



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Local bowhunter bags two deer

Local bowhunter Vivan Campbell, 85, (right) shot a doe and a three-point buck hunting with his son Leroy (left) in Alpena during this year's bow season. Campbell, who retired from Bear Archery, has been hunting with a bow for over 40 years. Campbell shot the two deer with a 40-pound Jennings bow, which is equipped with a holographic sight, using gold tip arrows.

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Guns & Grubs 28 - 49			Gray Rock Café 27 - 13
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Guns & Grubs 28 - 49			Tees 'N' Such 'R' Us 27 - 13
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Saw Mill 53 - 55	
Plaza 53 - 55	
Margretheville I 52 - 56	
Gray Rock 51 - 57	
8 Ball Run: John and Mike of Margretheville II	
7 Ball Run: John of Margretheville II	
6 Ball Run: Todd and Dennis of Sawmill; Scott of Legion	

Skip's hosts annual Buck Pole

► **Area hunters, several local, win prizes at annual buck pole event**

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The opening day of firearm deer season (November 15) went well for quite a few hunters this year, based on the results of the annual Buck Pole competition, which was held at Skip's Sport Shop last week.

"We had a little heavier deer, a little bigger antlers. Overall, it was a pretty good opener," said Skip's Sport Shop owner Jack Millikin. "Most people said they saw deer."

Millikin said the buck kill was roughly the same as in years past, but on average the deer brought in to this season's buck pole were heavier and had bigger racks.

Also, most hunters that brought in deer reported light hunting pressure in the woods, Millikin said.

Forty-two deer were entered in the buck pole this year: 27 on Monday, November 15, and 15 on Tuesday.

The buck pole's grand prize, a scoped rifle, was awarded to Matt Harwood of Grayling, whose 180-pound buck had a rack of 139.5 total inches. Harwood's deer had the largest rack out of the 42 entered in the two-day competition, earning him the top prize.

Several prizes of \$50 U.S. savings bonds were awarded both days in the following buck pole competition categories:

November 15 -- First buck: Herm Koning, Holland; first woman hunter: Deborah Robinson, Grayling; oldest hunter: Don Kuk, Roscommon; youngest hunter: Danny Mahaney, Grayling; heaviest buck: Kary Gabriel, Frederic

November 16 -- First buck: Joe Accettola, Warren; first woman hunter: Sasha Latuszek, Grayling; oldest hunter: Pat Sheridan, Lexington; youngest hunter: Brandon Jacobs, Grayling; heaviest: Matt Harwood, Grayling

Savings bonds (\$50) were also awarded to the first 10 hunters to bring in bucks on both days:

November 15 -- Herm Koning, Holland; Don Kuk, Roscommon; James Apps, Roscommon; Paul Wilson, Grayling; David Munof, Ferndale; Chuck Ayers, Oxford; Larry Carpenter, Grayling; Greg Cass, Grayling; Mike Graham, Davison; Mike Powers, Grayling

November 16 -- Joe Accettola, Warren; Dustin Ellis, Grayling; Pat Sheridan, Lexington; Brandon Jacobs, Grayling; Ronnie Lech, Birmingham; Ted Williams, Kalkaska; Tera Dixon, Grayling; Sasha Latuszek, Grayling; Dave Eastman, Grayling; Jayson Welsler, Grayling

Finally, on both days, a prize of \$10 cash was awarded to each of the next 15 hunters (after the first 10) to bring in bucks:

November 15 -- Danny Mahaney, Grayling; Owen Grotts, Clio; Deborah Robinson, Grayling; Ron Rakoczy Sr., Grayling; Jim Hilbrecht, Grayling; Terry Osmon, Walled Lake; Rick Buckingham, Howell; Richard Mlynczek, Brighton; Randy Tiederman, Waterford; Jim McMillan, Grayling; Kary Gabriel, Frederic; James Watts, Waterford; Dan Bonamie, Grayling; Ron Swiss, Saginaw; Ted Baynham, Frederic

November 16 -- Raymon Nichols, Claredon (VT); Chris Thayer, Birch Run; Steve Godsby, Garden City; Matt Harwood, Grayling; Kurt Kitchen, Grayling

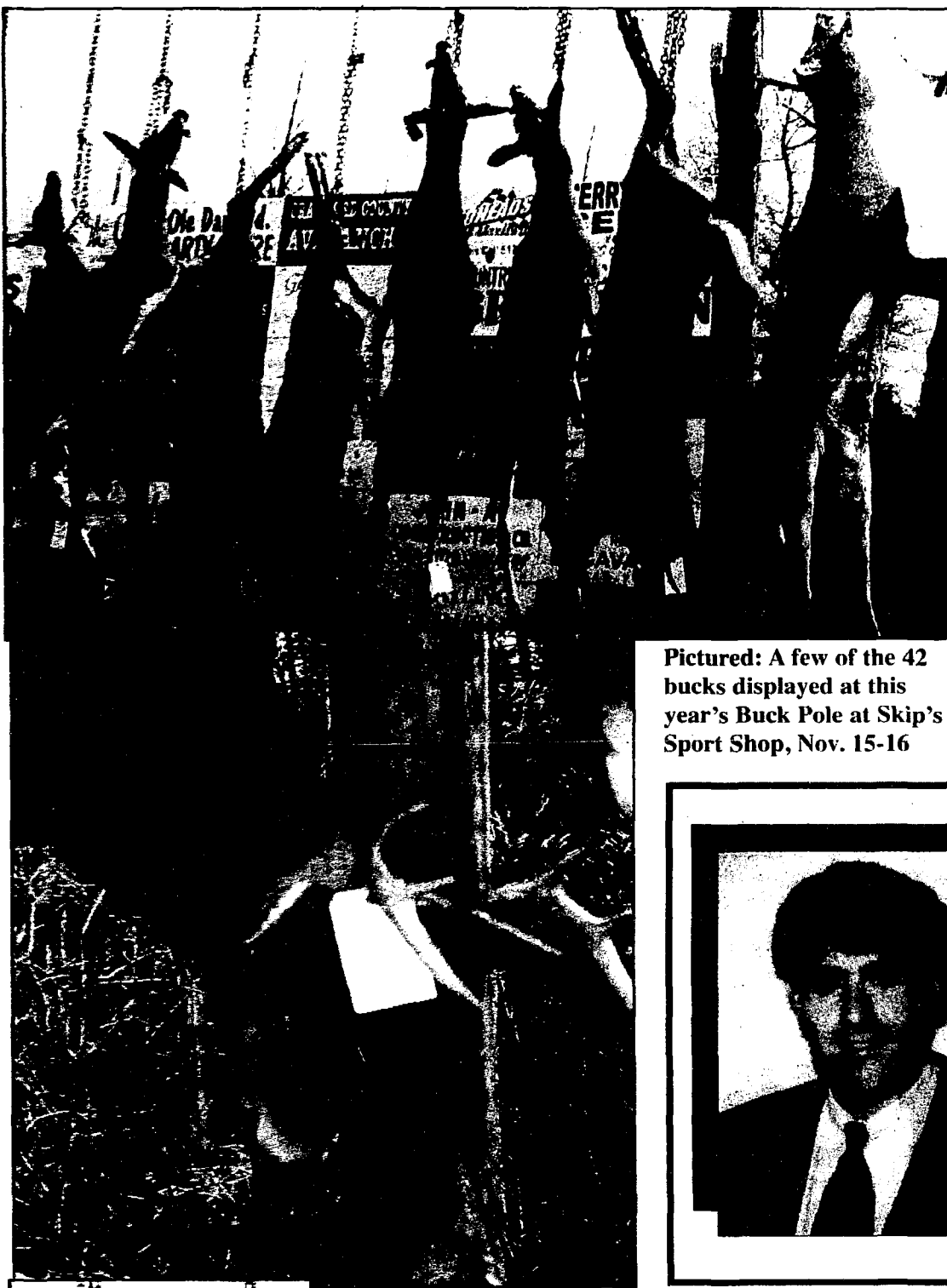
Hunter has successful opening day

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Local sportsman Bud Hunter, 85, got his deer on opening day.

Hunter, who was featured in an *Avalanche* article two weeks ago, said he almost decided not to head out, but did, and shot a deer on November 15, opening day of firearm deer season.

"Now I can go get another one," he said with enthusiasm.



Pictured: A few of the 42 bucks displayed at this year's Buck Pole at Skip's Sport Shop, Nov. 15-16



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83RD DISTRICT COURT

Sentencing for September, 1999

Honorable John G. Hunter:

Alden Earl Lovely Jr., 43, of Grayling - NSF over \$50, less than \$200 - Sentenced to 90 days in jail with credit for 60 served, placed on 366 days probation, ordered to pay \$450 fines/costs, \$90.35 restitution, and/or 90 days in jail.

Rex Allen Kistler, 20, of Cedar Springs - Non sufficient funds under \$100 - Ordered to pay \$680 fines/costs, \$35.43 restitution and/or 70 days in jail.

Marvin J. Tedford, 28, of Lapeer - License suspended/revoked-allow suspended person to operate - Ordered to pay \$260 fines/costs and/or 26 days in jail.

Gregory Ernest Lawe, 37, of Gaylord - Operate Under the Influence Liquor - Sentenced to 60 days in jail with credit for 30 served, placed on 366 days probation, ordered to pay \$850 fines/costs and/or 45 days in jail.

Johnnie Johnson III, 22, of Grayling - Retail fraud, third degree - Ordered to pay \$210 fines/costs and/or 21 days in jail.

James Bruce Babbitt, 19, of

Frederic - Grayling City Ordinance #4 - Ordered to pay \$160 fines/costs.

Joel Mack Jr., 26, of Grayling - Operate Under the Influence Liquor - Sentenced to 30 days in jail with credit for 30 days served, placed on probation for 366 days, sentenced to 40 hours community service, ordered to pay \$800 fines/costs and/or 50 days in jail.

Edwin Otto Brannam, 21, of Roscommon - Domestic Violence - Ordered to pay \$950 fines/costs and/or 90 days in jail.

Glenn Ray Miller, 45, of Grayling - Impaired Driving - Ordered to pay \$430 fines/costs and/or 43 days in jail.

Gary Lee Anderson, 50, of Frederic - Impaired Driving - Ordered to pay \$380 fines/costs and/or 38 days in jail.

Thomas Edward Drouillard, 61, of Grayling - (1) Animals-Cruelty/Abandonment, (2) A dog unlicensed - Sentenced to 10 days in jail, placed on 731 days probation, sentenced to 200 hours community service.

Margaret Rose Drouillard, 49, of Grayling - Animals-Cruelty/Abandonment - Sentenced to 10 days in jail, placed on 731 days probation, sentenced to 200 hours community service.

Christopher Lee Wood, 27, of Grayling - Operate Under the Influence Liquor - Sentenced to 60 days in jail with credit for 60 days served, placed on 366 days probation, ordered to pay \$800 fines/costs and/or 80 days in jail.

Scott Fred Ludwig, 33, of Roscommon - Impaired Driving, Third Offense - Ordered to pay \$700 fines/costs and/or 60 days in jail.

Raymond Perry Hill Jr., 28, of Grayling - Animal Noise-Barking Dog - Ordered to pay \$110 fines/costs and/or 11 days in jail.

Robert Duwayne Duncan, 33, of Frederic - License Suspended/Revoked, 2nd offense - Sentenced to 15 days in jail with credit for 15 days served, placed on 366 days probation, ordered to pay \$450 fines/costs and/or 45 days in jail.

William Earl Noble, 27, of Kalkaska - Impaired Driving - Ordered to pay \$780 fines/costs and/or 75 days in jail.

Alden Earl Lovely Jr., 43, of Grayling - (1) License, Suspended/Revoked, 2nd offense, (2) S-Registration-Fail to Transfer - Sentenced to 90 days in jail, with credit for 60 days served, placed on

366 days probation, ordered to pay \$385 fines/costs.

Annie Jo Farmer, 19, of Grayling - Impaired Driving - Ordered to pay \$380 fines/costs and/or 38 days in jail.

William Douglass Burger, 34, of Louisville - Impaired Driving - Ordered to pay \$430 fines/costs and/or 43 days in jail.

Norman Douglas Hadstate, 40, of St. Helen - Attempt-Resist & Obstruct Officer - Ordered to pay \$1050 fines/costs and/or 90 days in jail.

Terri Lynn Vertin, 22, of Grayling - License, Suspended/Revoked, 2nd offense - Ordered to pay \$360.

Howard Conrad Sartin, 26, of Grayling - License Suspended/Revoked-Allow - suspended person to operate - Ordered to pay \$260 fines/costs and/or 26 days in jail.

Sarah Lynn Leach, 32, of Royal Oak - License, Suspended/Revoked, 2nd offense - Ordered to pay \$360 fines/costs.

Corin Dorothee Greene, 24, of Roscommon - License Suspended/Revoked, 2nd offense - Ordered to pay \$360 fines/costs.

Steven Eric Adzigian, 40, of Roscommon - Non Sufficient Funds under \$100 - Ordered to pay \$21.01 restitution and \$160 fines/costs.

Reid Jecks Richardson, 21, of Port Austin - Disorderly Person/Drunk - Ordered to pay \$380 fines/costs and/or 30 days in jail.

RANGE FIRING

Range firing is not conducted at Camp Grayling during the firearm deer season, November 15 - November 30.

Contact the Grayling Department of Natural Resources for the areas

closed for hunting within the boundaries of the installation. The Grayling DNR telephone number is (517) 348-6371.

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83RD DISTRICT COURT

Sentencing for October, 1999

Honorable John G. Hunter:

Brenda Lee Zych, 38, of Oscoda - Assault/Assault and Battery - Ordered to pay \$50 fines/costs and/or 5 days in jail.

Vickie Ann Potter, 39, of Grayling - Non sufficient funds under \$100 - Ordered to pay \$160 fines/costs.

Harry Alan Smith, 30, of Grayling - License suspended/revoked - allow suspended person to operate - Ordered to pay \$405 fines/costs and/or 40 days in jail.

Randy Edward Helsel, 23, of Grayling - (1) Non Sufficient Funds under \$100 -Placed on 183 days probation, ordered to pay \$60 restitution, \$280 fines/costs and/or 34 days in jail.

Larry Thomas Holewinski Jr., 24, of Roscommon - Rented Property-Failure to Return Under \$100 - Ordered to pay \$260 fines/costs and/or 26 days in jail.

Jason Michael Helsel, 20, of Columbiaville - Illegal Kill/Possession Purchase/Sale of Animal - Placed on 183 days probation, ordered to pay \$500 restitution, \$540 fines/costs and/or 54 days in jail.

John Paul Daniels, 51, of Grayling - Assault/Assault and Battery - Ordered to pay \$840 fines/costs and/or 48 days in jail.

Brett Arnold Terbrack, 21, of Saginaw - (1) Uncased Bow on Motor Vehicle (2) Recreational Trespass

Dean Arthur Worden, 43, of Grayling - License Suspended/Revoked-Allow Suspended Person to Operate - Ordered to pay \$260 fines/costs and/or 26 days in jail.

Kevin Duane Reynolds, 38, of Grayling - (1) License Suspended/Revoked-Allow Suspended Person to Operate, (2) S-Registr. Plate/Trailer Viol, (3) Entered in Traffic Module - Ordered to pay \$855 fines/costs and/or 80 days in jail.

Gregory Scott Smith, 42, of Holly - (1) Failure to Stop After Collision, (2) Entered in Traffic Module - Ordered to pay \$335 fines/costs and/or 33 days in jail.

Barbara Ann Morgan, 37, of Gaylord - Operate Under the Influence Liquor - Ordered to pay \$1150 fines/costs and/or 30 days in jail.

David Michael Burns, 37, of Belding - (1) License Plates/Expired, (2) License Suspended/Revoked, 2nd Offense - Ordered to pay \$470 fines/costs and/or 47 days in jail.

Ervin Leroy Watson Jr., 34, of Elmira - Impaired Driving - Ordered to pay \$780 fines/costs and/or 78 days in jail.

Harvey Albert Reaver, 18, of Caro - Controlled Substance Possession of Marijuana - Ordered to pay \$900 fines/costs and/or 90 days in jail.

Brian David Randall, 48, of Saginaw - License Suspended/Revoked-Allow Suspended Person to Operate - Ordered to pay \$260 fines/costs.

John Leroy Wakeley, 29, of Grayling - Impaired, 3rd Offense - Ordered to pay \$750 fines/costs and/or 75 days in jail.

Thomas Gerald Balmes, 22, of Grayling - Operate Under the Influence Liquor - Sentenced to 30 days in jail with credit for 30 days already served, placed on 366 days probation, ordered to pay \$1200

fines/costs and/or 60 days in jail.

Larry Richard LaFrance, 45, of Grayling - Open Alcohol in Motor Vehicle - Ordered to pay \$110 fines/costs.

Robert George Brinker III, 18, of Grayling - Retail Fraud, 3rd Degree - Ordered to pay \$210 fines/costs and/or 21 days in jail.

Robert George Sperry, 36, of Swartz Creek - (1) Attempt-Resist and Obstruct Officer, (2) OUIL/Per se-Second Offense Notice - Ordered to pay \$1860 fines/costs and/or 180 days in jail.

Teena Susette Kehr, 32, of Grayling - Fugitive from Justice - Daniel Leon Parkinson, 44, of Roscommon - Impaired Driving - Ordered to pay \$430 fines/costs and/or 43 days in jail.

Floyd Eugene VanSickle Jr., 31, of Grayling - Controlled Substance Possession of Marijuana - Sentenced to 3 days in jail, placed on 366 probation, ordered to pay \$1100 fines/costs and/or 110 days in jail.

Timothy Raymond Krey, 38, of Grayling - Impaired Driving - Ordered to pay \$430 fines/costs and/or 43 days in jail.

Jeffrey J. Clemings, 43, of St. Louisville - Operate Under the Influence Liquor - Ordered to pay \$850 fines/costs and/or 85 days in jail.

William Lukasiewicz, 52, of Grayling - Impaired Driving - Ordered to pay \$780 fines/costs and/or 78 days in jail.

Bonnie Lee Hess, 51, of Roscommon - Impaired Driving - Ordered to pay \$430 fines/costs and/or 43 days in jail.

Barry Scott Snyder, 36, of Roscommon - Domestic Violence - Sentenced to 32 days in jail with

credit for 28 already served, placed on 366 days probation, ordered to pay \$500 fines/costs and/or 30 days in jail.

Timothy Charles Hodges, 30, of Grayling - Disorderly Person/Drunk - Ordered to pay \$610 fines/costs.

Allan Nathan Brown, 40, of Luzerne - License Suspended/Revoked, 2nd offense - Ordered to pay \$360 fines/costs and/or 36 days in jail.

Daniel Steven Dwyer, 27, of Grayling - Animal/Noise Ordinance-Barking Dog - Ordered to pay \$60 fines/costs.

Robert Leroy Fisher, 37, of Grayling - Trespassing Forbidden/Refuse to Depart - Ordered to pay \$260 fines/costs and/or 26 days in jail.

Brook Alan Lawe, 22, of Grayling - License Suspended/Revoked, 2nd Offense - Ordered to pay \$360 fines/costs and/or 36 days in jail.

Shawn Patrick Sullivan, 29, of Frederic - (1) S-Drove while Unlicensed/License not Valid, (2) Gave False Information to Police Officer - Ordered to pay \$220 fines/costs.

Jean Callewaert

Duane Anthony Wormsbacher, 19, of Houghton Lake - (1) Failure to Report Accident, (2) Reckless Driving, (3) S-No Valid License in Possession - Ordered to pay \$435 fines/costs.

Larry Ralph Tobias, 41, of Frederic - Marine Safety-OUIL - Ordered to pay \$610 fines/costs.

Honorable Patricia A. Morse

Christopher Wade Ruby, 21, of Houghton Lake - Littering

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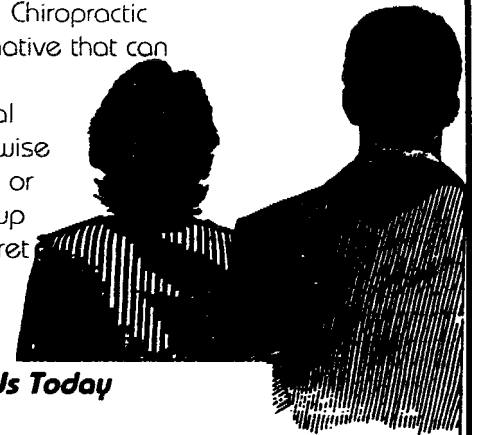
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LEGAL ACTION

SYNOPSIS FORECLOSURE BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP REGULAR MEETING

November 8, 1999

The regular meeting of the Beaver Creek Township Board was held Monday, November 8, 1999 at 7 p.m.

Board members present: Riley, Balmes, Summers, Mobarak and Hartman.

Motion by Mobarak to accept the minutes from the previous meetings in October. Seconded and carried.

Motion by Mobarak to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded and carried.

Larry Paxton was present to request passage on the preliminary plat for IRA Subdivision and answered questions regarding the building of the proposed subdivision. Motion by Mobarak and seconded by Balmes to approve the tentative preliminary plat for IRA Subdivision. Ayes: 5, nays: 0. Motion carried.

Supervisor's Report
Cleanup of 6 acres on Millikin Lane has been completed. Motion by Riley to convey the property to Jeff and Karen DeWitt along with a letter of thanks. Seconded and carried.

Township Planning:
By-laws looked at and should be presented to Township Board at their next meeting.

Nine pieces of correspondence were received.

Old Business:
1. Snow plowing bids were received from three area residents. Motion by Mobarak to accept the bid from Ron Calkins and offer up to a 3 year contract. Supported by Riley. Ayes: 5, nays: 0. Motion carried.

2. Discussion regarding paving of Nolan Road. Motion by Mobarak to adopt Resolution to proceed with the paving of Nolan Road by setting up a Special Assessment District and approve the cost estimate. Seconded by Balmes. Ayes: 5, nays: 0. Motion carried. First public hearing will be held during the regular December Board meeting on December 13th at 7:30 p.m.

New Business:
1. Motion by Mobarak to raise the transfer site attendant's wages to \$7.32 per hour as he has been there over 6 months. Seconded and carried.

2. Motion by Mobarak to put ad in two papers for cleaning position and hold interviews. Seconded and carried.

3. Motion to write a letter of support for the Trailways Project, Phase III being worked on for County. Seconded and carried.

4. Motion by Mobarak and seconded by Balmes to pay the AP bills. Motion carried.

5. Motion by Mobarak and seconded to transfer \$10,000 to the Fire Department to be repaid from December taxes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.
Sharon K. Hartman
Clerk

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS NOTICE IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Daniel Peterson and Denise C. Peterson his wife (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank, A Michigan Banking Corporation, Mortgagee, dated October 20, 1997, and recorded on January 5, 1998, in Liber 444 Page 609, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FIFTY-TWO THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED TWELVE AND 38/100 DOLLARS (\$52,812.38) including interest at 7.500% per annum. Adjustable rate mortgage. Interest rate may change 11/1 of each year.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M., on December 8, 1999.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 37 and 38, Timberidge Estates #2, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 14, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 28, 1999
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

248-593-1303
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 990910788
Ravens

-28-4-11-18-25

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Thomas L. Ramsey a single man (original mortgagor) to Citizens Bank f/k/a Grayling State Bank, Mortgagee, dated April 8, 1996, and recorded on April 24, 1996, in Liber 410 Page 317, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE AND 92/100 DOLLARS (\$13,433.92) including interest at 10.200% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made

and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M., on January 5, 2000.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF FREDERIC, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lots 11 and 11a, Manistee River Woods, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 16, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 24, 1999
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

248-593-1303
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 991112485
Ravens

-24-1-8-15-22

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by EDWARD L. C. PALMER AND MICHELLE L. PALMER to UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ACTING THROUGH THE FARMERS, HOME ADMINISTRATION, U.S. DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE now known as USDA, RURAL DEVELOPMENT Mortgagee, dated August 30, 1994, and recorded on August 30, 1994, in Liber 383, on page 28, CRAWFORD County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of seventy three thousand eight hundred fifty three and 89/100 Dollars (\$73,853.89), including interest at 8.000% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and approved, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI, at 10:00 A.M. on December 8, 1999.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, CRAWFORD County, Michigan, and are described as:

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF MEETING DATE

Due to a schedule conflict regarding a Task Force meeting, the Road Commission for Crawford County will be holding the regular Board meeting on December 8, 1999, rather than the previously scheduled December 9, 1999, at 10:00 a.m. at their office located at 500 Huron Street, P.O. Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648.

-18-24-2

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

THIS NOTICE IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Theodore J. Kolka, Jr. a single man (original mortgagor) to Citizens Bank f/k/a Grayling State Bank, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 1995, and recorded on November 20, 1995, in Liber 403 Page 528, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED NINETY-FOUR AND 86/100 DOLLARS (\$32,594.86) including interest at 8.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 A.M., on December 8, 1999.

Said premises are situated in TOWNSHIP OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 13, Pinecrest Subdivision, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 02 of Plats, Page 01, Crawford County

Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 28, 1999
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL:

248-593-1303
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys and Counselors
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 991011148
Ravens

-28-4-11-18-25

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

Default has occurred in the conditions of the Mortgage made by CARL E. ROACH and PAMELA K. ROACH, husband and wife, of 1851 Irene Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, Mortgagors, to Ford Housing Finance Services, a division of Associates Housing Finance Services, Inc., and now known as ASSOCIATES HOUSING FINANCE LLC, Mortgagee, dated September 10, 1997, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, on September 19, 1997, in Liber 438, Page 185+.

By reason of such default, the Mortgagee elected to declare and by this Notice declares the entire unpaid amount of said Mortgage due and payable.

As of November 15, 1999, there is claimed to be due for principal, interest, and other charges collectible by Mortgagee under the Mortgage the sum of Sixty Five Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Five and 26/100 Dollars (\$65,385.26). No suit or proceedings at law have been instituted to recover the debt secured by said Mortgage or any part of said debt.

Notice is given that, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, and to pay said amount, with interest as provided in said Mortgage and all legal costs, charges, and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and all taxes and insurance premiums paid by the undersigned before the date of sale, said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public auction to the highest bidder at the Front Steps of the Crawford County Building, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, on Wednesday, December 29, 1999 at 10:00 a.m. The premises covered by said Mortgage are situated in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, commonly known as 1851 Irene Avenue, Grayling, Michigan, and are legally described as follows:

Lot 88, AuSable Woods No. 4, according to the recorded plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 3 of Plats, Page 33, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale, pursuant to MCL 600.3240(8), unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 15, 1999
ASSOCIATES HOUSING FINANCE LLC, Mortgagee
McSHANE & BOWIE, P.L.C.
by Judy L. Walton,
Attorney for Mortgagee
99 Monroe Avenue, N.W.
Suite 1100
Grand Rapids, Michigan, 49503
(616) 732-5000

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GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

The Grayling Township Planning Commission will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on Wednesday, December 15, 1999 and beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Grayling Township Hall, 2090 Viking Way (W M-72), Grayling, to receive and review public comment regarding the following request:

Case 99-1:	Dale J. Smith, petitioner 1349 S. Otsego Ave. Gaylord, MI 49735
Property Code:	20-040-44-030-04-020-03
Location:	Part of the NE 1/4 of Sec. 30, T27N, R3W (5.82 Ac.) Hartwick Pines Rd. (M-93)

A request to re-zone from (R-F) Recreational Forest to (C-1) General Commercial District.

Case files, zoning ordinance and maps are available for inspection at the Grayling Township Hall during regular business hours. Correspondence regarding the request may be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Phone (517) 348-4361 or FAX (517) 348-6713.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

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FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of November 28-December 4

Aries
March 21-April 20
You can find an escape route if you really want out. Be patient, do some planning, and doors will open to you. You may be facing financial difficulties in the not-too-distant future. You can overcome these problems.

Taurus
April 21-May 21
Don't settle for second best—it will only cause you problems in the future. A few more dollars now will be well worth your time and effort later. You may find a distant relative needs your support and understanding.

Gemini
May 22-June 21
You'll have a deeper understanding and heightened awareness of everything around you this week; this may not be the greatest time to get involved in emotional projects. Hold off on those until you have your emotions under control.

Cancer
June 22-July 22
Your motto this week is "The only thing worse than a bad decision is indecision." Remember it throughout the week at home and at work. Make up your mind, then stick to it. Even if you're wrong, don't apologize—go on.

Leo
July 23-August 23
Be patient. The answer may come from a very unlikely source, such as a competitor. Once you figure things out, you'll be glad you were patient. Maybe you should try being patient with other events and people, too.

Virgo
August 24-September 22
Serious problems are hounding a close personal friend. As a result, he/she is behaving very out of character. It's best if you don't make decisions this week concerning him/her. You should stay open-minded about the personality change.

Libra
September 23-October 23
Lashing out is not the answer. It is very important that you keep your temper under control. Remember what happened the last time you "lost it." This is not the week to blow your diet. With the holidays right around the corner, it's best to wait.

Scorpio
October 24-November 22
Expanding your ideas and ideals should be the goal of your week. You'll gain a lot with travel, reading or study. Don't let your location hold you back. Instead, put your resourcefulness and ingenuity to use. You can expand your future.

Sagittarius
November 23-December 31
A certain obligation may seem to be holding you back. Find a way to work around it; you'll be able to get duties and extracurricular activities done. Plan on spending time with a sibling or child this weekend. Keep your promises.

Capricorn
December 22-January 20
Lifestyle changes may result in extra tension. There's no turning back—just face it head on and move ahead. Those around you will be more understanding and supportive than you ever thought possible.

Aquarius
January 21-February 18
Be frugal this week. It's certainly not the time to go off the deep end when it comes to spending. Your friends are not expecting big, luxurious gifts. They would rather you give from the heart. Your extravagance makes them feel uncomfortable.

Pisces
February 19-March 20
Don't let a close friend discourage you from meeting your goals. He/she is envious of your current situation, and that makes him/her even more green when it comes to your future. Instead, lead with your heart and listen to your head.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Green Bean Casserole

- 1 can (10 3/4 oz) condensed cream of mushroom soup
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1/8 tsp. pepper
- 2 pkgs. (9 oz. each) frozen cut green beans, thawed, or 2 cans (14.5 oz. each) cut green beans, drained
- 1 1/3 cups french fried onions

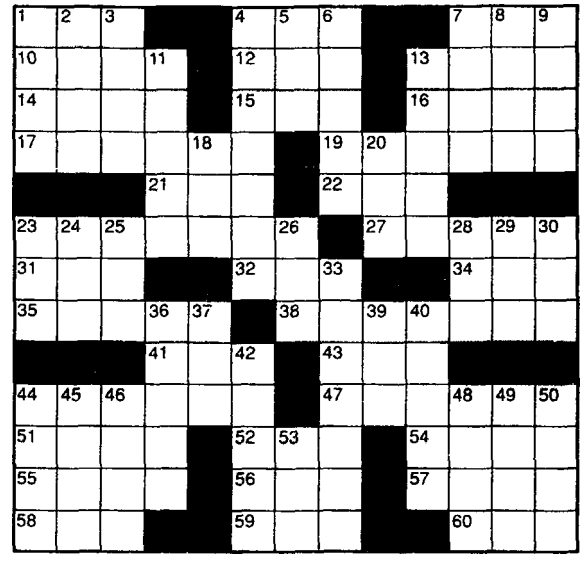
1. In 1 1/2 quart casserole, combine soup, milk and

pepper; stir until well blended. Stir in beans and 2/3 cup french fried onions. 2. Bake at 350°F for 30 minutes or until hot. Stir. Sprinkle with remaining 2/3 cup onions. Bake 5 minutes or until onions are golden. Makes 6 servings.



HOME NEEDED - Spayed female beagle mix is 8 months old, very gentle and loves to cuddle. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS DOWN

1. Start of a cheer

4. Piece of chocolate

7. Underwater vessel, for short

10. Effigy

12. Self-image

13. Author Grey

14. Corpulent detective Wolfe

15. Motorists' club initials

16. Nastase of tennis

17. Tear

19. Leases again

21. Pacific porgy

22. Initials for LeMay

23. Stuck in the mud

27. Horned animal, for short

31. Once _____ blue moon (2 wds.)

32. Blabbermouth's gift

34. Popeye's Olive

35. Muffled

38. Scale

41. Pro vote

43. Footballer Dawson

44. Courtroom groups

47. Caper about

51. School near Windsor Castle

52. Gentlemen of Verona count

54. Separate article

55. Bite

56. Age

57. Lay it on the _____

58. Wild sheep of Asia

59. Rogers or Clark

60. "Mother To _____" (Hughes)
1. Heloise's handiwork

2. Abstraction

3. Ship's unloading locale

4. Compartment

5. Moslem official

6. Jungle sounds

7. Bargain event

8. Military group

9. Honey producers

11. State-sponsored numbers game

13. Nada

18. Home for a French fish

20. It may be tin

23. Point a gun

24. Antelope

25. Source of a suspicious aroma

26. Bit of Brylcreem

28. Charged particle

29. U.N. headquarters site

30. Corrida cheer

33. Romantic spot for Juliet

36. Checking out

37. Actress Frances

39. Thompson of Back To The Future

40. Blacksmith's prop

42. Fall flower

44. Winnipeg skaters

45. Neighbor of Nevada

46. Novelist Jaffe

48. Soul singer Redding

49. Gambling town

50. Ness et. al.

53. Romance

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago
November 25, 1976
At a meeting of the AuSable River Watershed Study Council the results of a study made on the South Branch were reviewed. The study showed that the installation of a spray irrigation system at Roscommon has resulted in improved conditions in the South Branch. The data indicate that current water quality conditions may warrant further investigations into the cause of elevated fecal coliform levels. The council also reviewed a summary of a survey regarding designating the AuSable as a national wild and scenic river. This designation is viewed by some as a means of preserving river aesthetics and providing recreation opportunities for the public. Others feel it is not necessary and the same result can be obtained through local zoning. Other concerns expressed in the survey were law enforcement, lack of use facilities, environmental impacts of the river use, user conflicts, development of the river by residential interests, extension of governmental control and river access points.

David McEvers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ted McEvers, Grayling, has been sworn into the State Bar of Michigan. He has opened a law office on Huron Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Derek McEvers have purchased Sorenson's Funeral Home. The Funeral Home has been serving this community for 80 years.

46 Years Ago
November 26, 1953
For the first time in years, the Grayling High School bands Senior and Beginner's Bands will present a concert in the late fall.

The first examination for Postmaster at Frederic will be held under new, more exacting eligibility requirements. The salary for the postmaster will be \$4,770.

A pinto albino deer was shot near Hartwick Pines State Park last week by hunters from downtown. The buck was a "beautiful looking animal, white with brown spots, had five points and weighed 105 pounds when dressed." This kind of albino is very rare and that one out of every thousand is ever seen or taken.

The Grayling McNamara Air Base will be as busy as a bee hive during this winter as tests will be run on the sprawling installation by the Corps of Engineers and the National Safety Council. The tests by the Corps of Engineers will be mostly on snow and ice removal. They plan on keeping one runway open from dawn to dark every day of this winter regardless of weather. "The equipment will remove the snow and then rerun over the cement runways to remove the ice and leave the runways as dry as a livingroom floor."

Two Detroit police officers, northbound for Gaylord on a deer-hunting trip were both instantly killed on "Dead Man's" curve on M-76, 11 miles south of Grayling when their car left the highway and crashed into a tree. The car was traveling over 60 miles per hour and the driver apparently failed to see the sharp curve because of the rain-soaked blacktopped highway.

Mrs. Maggie Leverton is carrying her left hand in a bandage, having received severe burns while trying to put out a fire that threatened her home in Beaver Creek.

Twelve more Grayling men have signed the lighted athletic field petition since last week although no concerted effort has been made to circulate it. A meeting this week is expected to lay out a campaign for finance as well as a schedule for starting construction and seeking the co-operation of all concerned in the field.

69 Years Ago
November 27, 1930
Vernon Bennett of Port Huron,

former resident of Grayling was shot and fatally wounded near Lewiston on Thursday. Four men, one a party from Midland admitted the shooting, but said it was accidental. Said that they thought he was firing at a buck, and they thought Bennett's cry was a warning from a warden. All were arrested and it was through a decision by Mrs. Bennett that she was sure it was accidental that the men were released.

Grant Thompson is the new telegraph operator at Frederic, taking the place of R. K. Gunther. The Thompsons will move to Grayling from Kawkawlin to make their home.

Albert Funch shot a big white Arctic owl Wednesday that measured four feet seven inches from tip to tip.

Dr. and Mrs. C.G. Clippert attended the MSC-UofD football game at East Lansing, Saturday.

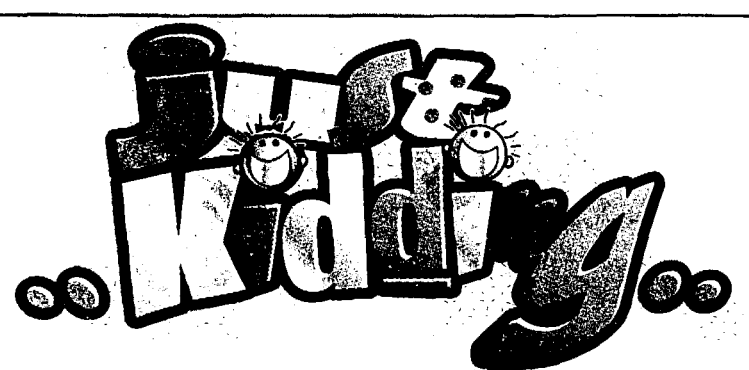
92 Years Ago
November 28, 1907
George McCullough went hunting and brought home a nice deer. It will take longer to get shaved now.

A little flurry of weather Tuesday made everybody look at their wood pile.

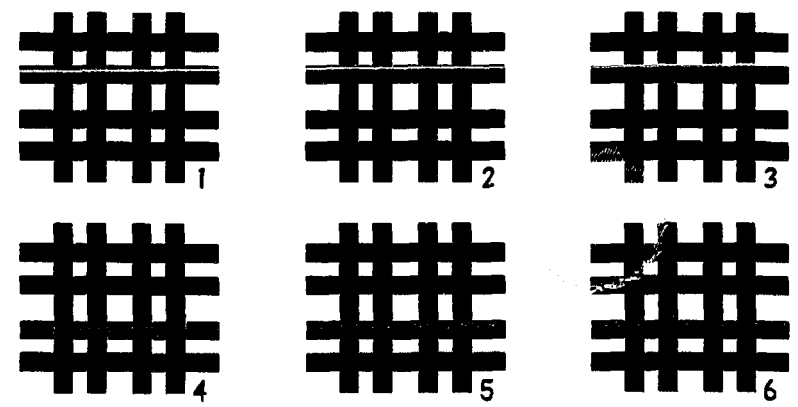
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Batterson Nov. 22nd, a daughter. Elmer struts about as though he owned the whole R.R.

F. E. McLinden of Frederic has bought the merchandise stock, furniture and fixtures of the big store of S. J. Yates.

Mrs. Luke Tryon is here visiting for the first time in 21 years, the guest of Mrs. J. S. Harrington. The Tryons were the 15th family to locate in Grayling and built the pre-tentious home, which has been used by Benson as a millinery shop and now a part of the Russel Hotel. She is surprised by the many changes from a wilderness to the beautiful village now.



FIND THE TWINS WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?



ANSWER: ONE AND TWO

WEATHER
Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	H	L	8 a.m.	Rainfall
11/15	43	27	27	
11/16	43	21	23	
11/17	43	21	30	
11/18	51	21	46	
11/19	55	36	40	
11/20	48	40	42	
11/21	53	31	48	0.03"

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: **Tuesday** - mostly cloudy, breezy with a 40% chance of showers in the afternoon, high of 50-55. **Wednesday** - chance of showers with near steady temperatures of 40-45. **Thursday** - chance of rain/snow showers with a low near 30 and a high near 40. **Friday** - chance of rain/snow showers, with a low of 25-30 and a high near 40.

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

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Display Advertising Rate - \$5.75 per column inch
 Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday
 Classifieds by the word rate - \$4.00 for 15 words or less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing: www.townnews.com/avalanche/
 Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday

1. Real Estate

FREDERIC, MICHIGAN 724 Frederic Rd., (County Rd. 612). Three bedroom, one bath bungalow, 1 1/2 car garage, gas heat. \$41,500, \$1,500 down, \$395 month. Contact 231-929-9337 or evenings and weekends 231-334-4475. (11/24/99tf/1)

I BUY HOUSE and land contracts. Pay cash. Quick closings. Are you facing foreclosure? Divorce? Leaving the area? Don't ruin your credit. Call Peninsula Funding 1-800-641-1717. (3/11/99tf/1)

PRICE REDUCED AuSable River front lot near McManis Bridge 200' frontage x 256' deep. Call (740) 797-2801. (LR12/2/99/1)

TWO BEDROOM HOME nestled in the pines, Frederic location, two lots, fireplace, hardwood floors, basement, nice area. \$31,000 801-568-0787 (-4-11-18-24/1)

BY OWNER 2350 Sq. ft. plus. Walk-out basement, 2A with carriage house, close to schools, town, gulf, x-way, by appointment. 231-238-1229. (-24-2/1)

AUSABLE COUNTRY ACRES A planned association development. Spec log home and building sites. Near state land and AuSable River by owner. (517) 348-7355 (9/2/99tf/1)

1. Real Estate

MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROPERTIES www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99tf/1)

HELP WANTED HINTS When placing a Help Wanted Classified, remember to list the job title and duties involved, whether it is full or part time, the name of company or business, mailing address for resume, or street address for walk-in applications. Crawford County Avalanche, 102 Michigan Avenue, Grayling - (517) 348-6811

2. For Rent

MAKE ARBOR COURT APARTMENTS your new home. Large two bedroom apartments. Maximum income level of \$18,900 for two person household. Rent based on 30% of gross monthly income. Barrier free unit available. Call Rose 517-344-2611 or Mary Ann 906-932-5500 for more information. Equal Housing Opportunity. (9/16/99tf/2)

CLEAN TWO BEDROOM with shed close to town. \$375 month. security and references required. no pets. 517-348-8386 (-24-2/2)

THE CAR LOT is always open in the Avalanche classifieds. (517) 348-6811

CABIN FOR RENT Sleeps four. call 517-348-8350. (10/14/99tf/2)

2. For Rent

DOWNTOWN BUILDING FOR RENT 227 Michigan Avenue. Approximately 4,000 square feet. Excellent business opportunity. Inquiries call 517-344-2222. (9/23/99tf/2)

OFFICE FOR RENT 1,000 sq. ft. or 2,000 sq. ft. in Grayling. 517-348-5474 (LR11/24/99/2)

THREE BEDROOM, ONE BATH with garage and workshop in town, two blocks from schools. No pets or smoking. \$450 per month plus \$450 security deposit. Due before move in, need reference. Available December 1, 1999. 517-348-8497 (-24/2)

SMALL THREE BEDROOM with two car garage. Large lot near Lake Margrethe. \$475 rent, \$425 deposit. Available December 1. 517-348-2489 (-24-2/2)

1. Real Estate

FOR SALE BY OWNER



This 3/4 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath home is on an oversized lot close to town. Hardwood floors and full finished basement. Extensive landscaping, occupancy negotiable. Call 348-6967 for directions. -11-18-25/1

2. For Rent

VERY NICE Three bedroom, two bath home. Non smoking, no pets. \$575 per month plus security, references. (517) 344-7669 (11/4/99tf/2)

MAXI STORAGE 80 ft x 24 ft five bay building with 12 ft x 10 ft overhead doors with electric. Rent all or will divide. 3464 North Down River Rd. (517) 348-4486 (LR12/9/99/2)

TWO BEDROOM WITH GARAGE West side Higgins Lake, 20 minutes from Grayling. First and last months rent. Credit report. 517-939-8965 (-24-2/2)

FURNISHED APARTMENTS Weekly special \$149 per week includes microwave refrigerator, kitchenettes, free breakfast, HBO, Cinemax. Call AuSable Motel 517-348-8900. (LR1/13/00/2)

2. For Rent

BEDROOM FOR RENT Enjoy peaceful solitude in this AuSable River home, surrounded by woods and wildlife. Only two miles from downtown Grayling. \$325 month includes all utilities, plus kitchen, Cable TV, library, sauna, hot tub and more. 517-348-2083 (-24-2/2)

TWO BEDROOM DUPLEX near town. \$535 per month, includes heat, washer/dryer, stove and frig. No pets, lease required. First and last rent required to move in. 517-348-6938 (11/18/99tf/2)

HOUSE FOR RENT City of Grayling, two bedroom, 2 1/2 car attached garage, range, refrigerator, laundry room, large fenced in lot, utilities not included. Available December 1, 806 Elm St. \$465 month plus security deposit. 517-348-4716 (11/24/99tf/2)

2. For Rent

HOME FOR RENT near Higgins Lake. 517-422-2105 (-18-24/2)

HOUSE FOR RENT Two bedroom, one bath, washer, dryer hookup. Refrigerator, range included, utilities not included. No pets, \$425 month plus \$425 security deposit. 6272 Old Lake Rd., Grayling. 517-348-4716 (10/21/99tf/2)

ADVERTISING DEADLINES: Regular Display - 1/2 to full page, 5 p.m. Thursday. All others 5 p.m. Friday. Classified Display - 12 noon Monday. Classified by the word - 12 noon Tuesday. These deadlines may change with notice due to holidays or special publication.

ROOM FOR RENT Utilities and kitchen privileges included. 517-348-4367. (-24-2/2)

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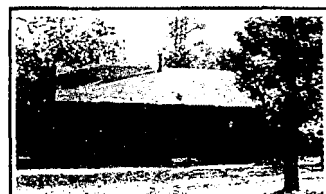
JUST LISTED 125' ON THE "HOLY WATERS" OF THE AU SABLE RIVER. Beautiful views of the river from this half log 3 bedroom home. Split-stone fireplace, all appliances, 2 car garage & lots of built-in features. This is a must see. \$190,000 MLS# 9-3940



LOOKING FOR A FIRST HOME OR A PLACE TO RETIRE? This could be what you're looking for. This 2 bedroom home comes with all appliances, 2 car garage, ceiling fans & a partial basement. Nice location close to town. \$69,000 MLS# 9-3631



VERY WELL MAINTAINED 2 bedroom cabin located close to the North branch of the AuSable River and state land. Features include: appliances, fireplace, garage and covered patio. \$44,900 MLS# 9-3324



JUST LISTED - LOG CABIN ON 13 ACRES! Beautiful full log cabin has been totally refurbished. New carpeting, doors, appliances, hot water heater, bathroom fixtures, wall furnace and 5" well. Just bring your clothes and enjoy the privacy on your own 13 acres! \$82,500 MLS# 9-3921



READY TO MOVE INTO? Home in the city has much to offer including new this year, appliances, dishwasher, insulator, garbage disposal, built-in microwave. Home has an attached 2 car garage, basement with family room and lots more. \$59,900 MLS# 9-3553



A CABIN FOR THE FAMILY. This cabin has 3 bedrooms, 1 bath, appliances, 1 car garage and screened in patio. All this on a county maintained road and within walking distance to the public access site on the famous AuSable River. \$39,900 MLS# 9-2593



NEW CONSTRUCTION - You can own a newly constructed 3 bedroom, vinyl sided home at an affordable cost. Many possibilities! \$79,900 MLS# 9-3226



PRICE REDUCED! Affordable 4 bedroom home with family room and attached 2 car garage. Immediate occupancy. Seller is offering 2% of the purchase price toward purchaser's closing costs! \$58,000 MLS# 9-2172



JUST LISTED! Charming 2 bedroom home with newer roof, dining nook and well. Close access to Big Creek. Property adjacent federal land to the west. Includes stove, refrigerator and washer & dryer. \$31,900 MLS# 9-3919

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JUST LISTED - 40 ACRES! Just in time for hunting season. Frontage on Bradford Creek. Close access to snowmobile trails. \$60,000 MLS# 9-3637

PERFECT SPOT FOR YOUR CABIN! 2.50 acres only 500 ft. away from state land. \$8,250 MLS# 9-3920

HUNTING PROPERTY - 11.20 acres on a maintained road. \$16,900 - KJ-1242

BEAUTIFUL BUILDING SITE! 3.53 acres on the corner of county maintained roads. \$8,000 MLS# 9-0818

17.5 ACRES WITH OLD LOG CABIN. Cabin and garage in need of much repair. Property adjoins city limits of Kalkaska. Located on county maintained blacktop road. \$25,000 MLS# 9-3449

PRICE WILLING TO ACQUIRE with nice mature trees. \$107,000 MLS# 9-3631

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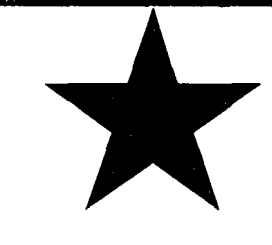
NICE HOME IN THE CITY! New vinyl siding & roof. 3 bedroom, 1 bath offers 1,300 sq. ft. with natural gas heat, new gas log fireplace in family room. Formal dining room, fresh paint throughout. Partial basement, 1 1/2 car attached garage. Fenced in yard, walkout patio door onto large deck with bench seating. Immediate occupancy. Close to hospital, schools and shopping. Reduced \$66,500 CS-837



29.4 ACRES / 1,770' ON KOLKA CREEK. Sportsman's Paradise. Total seclusion on 29 plus acres with 1,770' frontage on Kolka Creek. 2 story retreat with walkout basement, 3 car attached garage, plus 30x40 pole barn, 3 master bedrooms suites upstairs with private bathrooms. Cathedral ceilings in living room, family room and dining room. In floor radiant heat in kitchen and garage. Many possibilities! \$299,000 CH-1074



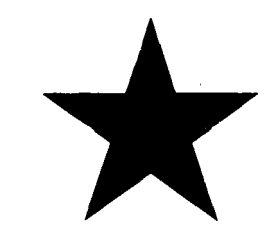
VERY WELL MAINTAINED DUTCH MODULAR. 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on 2.37 acres. Complete with refrigerator, stove and dishwasher. Both front and rear decks for easy access. Cement patio for leisure and convenience. Peaked ceilings throughout. Detached 2 car garage, plus extra 8x12 storage shed. Reduced \$69,500 CS-988



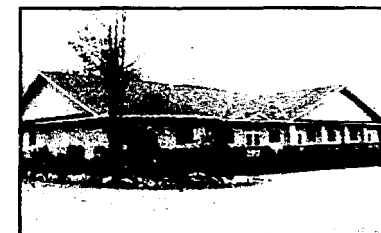
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9. Personal



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11. Automotive

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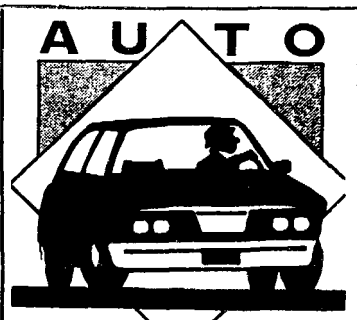
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PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Crawford County Planning Commission will be held on Wednesday, December 1, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the Circuit Court room of the County Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments on:

Case #SU17-99 A request to construct a 300' multi-tenant antenna structure with an eight foot lightning rod and vehicle access.

Petitioner: Traverse Bay Land Co.
3050 Logan Valley Road, Traverse City, MI 49686

The above case refers to the following described property: West fractional 1/2 (W1/2) of the South West fractional Quarter (SW1/4) of Sec. 30, T25N-R1W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan.
Property Code: 20-061-030-010-020-00

All documents are available at the Crawford County Building & Zoning Department. Comments should be sent to: Building & Zoning Department, 200 W. Michigan Avenue - Annex Building, Grayling, MI 49738.

Joseph Duran - Director

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